

AMERICA'S MIGHTY MILITARY POWER MADE 'PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD WILL TO MAN' POSSIBLE THIS CHRISTMAS! LET'S STAY MIGHTY MILITARILY AND KEEP THE PEACE!

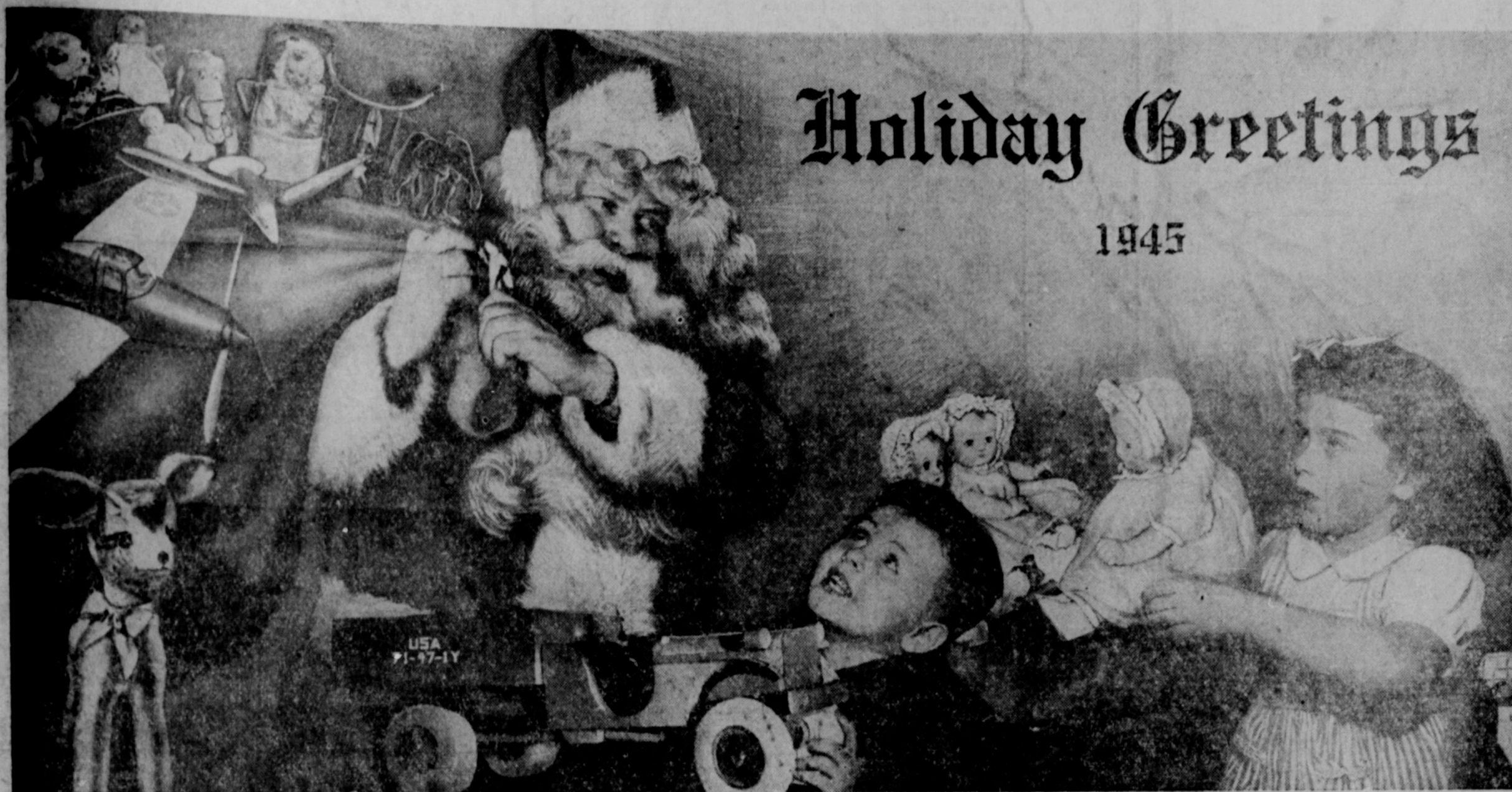
# OCHILTREE COUNTY HERALD

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## Christmas

Humanity's hope and civilization's cry for a brave, new world is perennially strengthened by the light that shines from the eyes of children as they stand in the presence of their Christmas idol — Santa Claus.

The wonder of these faces unfolds mankind's greatest lessons.

For here is faith resplendent in its simplicity.

Here is unselfishness, unadorned.

Here is devotion, unalterable.

Here is goodness, in its glory.

The magic of this light shines outward from the world of childhood onto the pathways of our adult world—pathways sometimes darkened.

This light can pierce that darkness.



And again this year, these eyes will shine, these faces glow.

Let these rays be cast on us and warm us. Warm our hearts. Kindle the spark. Light the way.

For great things are all cradled in the land of simplicity and faith—the land of a childish face.

And peace in the world is the great thing in our hearts this Christmas.

And lasting peace must spring from those basic truths that generate this light that shines in the eyes of children.

That those who lead the world out of a period of darkness will gaze this Yuletide into the faces of little children—and gazing catch the spark—is the Christmas wish and message of this newspaper.





New Mexico became a state on January 6, 1912, the 47th state to be admitted to the Union.

Herald want ads.

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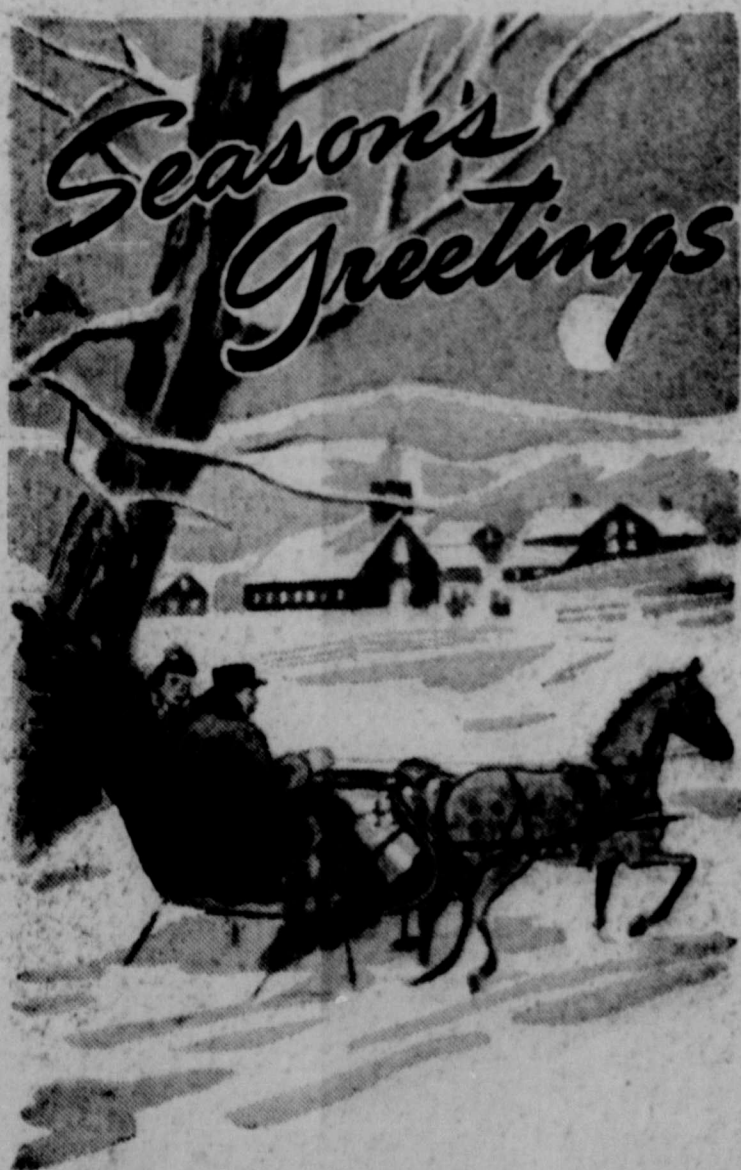
An ounce of performance is worth a pound of preaching. Legal blanks at Stewart's.



A new season has come and as we stand upon the brink, it is pleasant to think of the past relationships and friendly business associations we have had with you during the past year.

We sincerely hope that our cherished friendship for you, as our friends and customers, shall continue as in the past and that new friends will join our circle of patrons.

**Perryton Hatchery**



There's a joy in the heart that sets Christmas apart,  
To make it a day of all days.  
And may its true peace and good will never cease  
To bless you in manifold ways.

**PERRYTON SALES CO.**

T. C. FUGH, Manager

## Texas Judges Spice Decisions With Bits of Verse

The Herald is indebted to Miss Elsie Littau, who is in college at Austin, for an article appearing in the Austin Statesman, November 21. The Statesman carried some famous opinions written by Texas Judges. Versification, ranging from folk rhymes to the classics, has enlivened many a judicial opinion.

Included in these decisions is an opinion delivered in 1932 by Robert W. Hall, a civil appeals justice at Amarillo, in the case of Canadian vs. Guthrie. This is one of the classics of Texas judicial literature. It reads:

A gentleman by the name of Guthrie was engaged in the hauling business in the Panhandle town of Canadian. He was aided in his business by a team, one member of which was a bay mare of 12 to 14 summers. The fact that she was blind in one eye, Guthrie subsequently testified, made her more valuable as a team-mate.

"It appears," Judge Hall stated when the case had come before him on appeal from the county court, "that on account of a dearth of vitamins from A to Z in her home cuisine, this particular mare was prone to spend her off nights prowling through the city, feasting upon the lawns, shrubbery and gardens of her neighbors."

The bay mare's life history is quickly completed from that point: She was unpounded, her ball was not forthcoming, and she was dispatched "by shooting her between her bad eye and the one not so bad." The execution was carried out by a local character known as "Panhandle Pete." Judge Hall seized unflinchingly upon the potentialities of alliteration:

"In other words, in the vernacular of gangland, when Panhandle Pete's pistol popped, she petered, for which the poundkeeper paid Pete a pair of pesos."

Guthrie sued the town for \$1,000. "He averred that because of her loss, his occupation, like Othello's, was gone, and he 'had been set out an empty,'" Judge Hall wrote. Besides, the mare's death had converted Canadian into "a one-horse town."

Hall's opinion reviewed the mare's nocturnal habits and her appetite for flowers. "The record shows that on at least two occasions

"When night drew her sable curtain down

And pined it with a star,

"and 'Silence like a gentle spirit brooded over a still and pulseless world,' the mare was nibbling."

Again, "she was wont to gambol between the time when

"Curfew tolled the knell of parting day" and "...when grey-eyed morn stood tip-toe on the misty foothill and height."

Guthrie got \$50 in county court, and took his appeal to Amarillo.

After savoring the case to its fullest, Judge Hall dismissed Guthrie's appeal—rather reluctantly, the reader feels—because no appeal could properly be prosecuted to the higher court. A rehearing in the case was denied three years later.

## Work of Red Cross Volunteers Praised Needs Explained

Calling upon the women of Ochil-tree county who met the production needs of the military during the war to meet the now equally urgent needs of civilian war relief, Mrs. E. L. Whippo, production chairman of the county Red Cross chapter, Monday appealed to volunteers to renew their interest in production of clothing for civilians in war-ravaged countries.

"The dispossessed persons of Europe and Asia, and particularly the orphaned and destitute children, are suffering more than any of us here realize," she added. "The simple things we can give them will do much, not only to preserve their life and health but to assure them of our friendship and interest."

Stressing the need for workers, Mrs. Whippo explained that quotas of rompers, girls' capes, boys' shirts, girls' and women's dresses have been increased by as much as one-half of the original 1945 quotas while completely new assignments were made, in the early fall, to fill needs for overalls, snow suits, slips, petticoats, and diapers.

"In view of their loyal work of the past, we are depending upon the women of Perryton and Ochil-tree county to assist the local chapter in filling this need," Mrs. Whippo continued, referring especially to the work of the surgical dressings corps.

Surgical dressing corps throughout the nation have been commended for their work by Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, surgeon general of the Army. From July 1, 1941, through March 31, 1945, Red Cross volunteers made nearly two billion surgical dressings for the armed forces. During those years volunteers contributed about 977 million hours to all kinds of production. Showing the growth of surgical dressings production as the war's needs increased, Mrs. Whippo pointed out that less than one million

## TICKLERS

Think he's a veterinarian!



Mr. and Mrs. George Marxsen came in Saturday from California. He received his discharge from the Navy on December 11 at the Naval Training Station in San Diego, and Mrs. Marxsen had been with him for several months. They plan to remain in Perryton through the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevens were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Hethcock.

Dressings were made in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939. Records for the next five years show production of two million, 12 million, 25 million, 614 million and 972 million dressings, respectively.

"We feel sure the volunteers who produced so abundantly for the military will not ignore the needs of those whom our men fought to liberate," Mrs. Whippo concluded.

Herald Classifieds get Results!

Anell McClung returned this week from Galveston where he went to take Vance Dobbs who will receive medical attention at John Sealy Hospital for some time. Mrs. Dobbs is visiting her mother, Mrs. Grace Gilbert, at Hardesty while he is away.

Among Amarillo visitors last week were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Osborne, Mrs. H. C. Brillhart and Mrs. Harlan Hawk.

To maintain your library intact, buy three copies of every book—one to show, one to loan and one to read.

**SELL with WANT-ADS**

A regiment of fishermen from army across the ice-filled Marblehead, Mass., hauled the River in 1776. Perryton Herald advertises George Washington and his made possible the publication.



Bounteous greetings and many hearty thank-yous to all our kind friends

**Edith's Beauty Shop**

Edith Harrison

FARNSWORTH, TEXAS



MAY THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS CAST ITS BLESSINGS

UPON THE LAND, AND MAY THE PEACE AND

GOOD WILL TOWARD MAN, WHICH HE

SYMBOLIZED, REMAIN

FOREVER

To Each of Our Kind  
Friends We Wish a Merry  
Christmas and Happy New Year

**Ellis Grain Co.**





CHRISTMAS  GREETINGS

Van W. Stewart—Jessie Keith Stewart

Morris M. Payne—Edward L. Geymann—Vivian Lee

Esther Overbey

James F. Bray—Raymond L. Overbey—J. W. Payne

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## Herald Classified Ads Get Results



May the teachings of Him whose birthday we celebrate at Christmas, prevail at this time when the world looks to the enjoyment of peace and contentment.

And as the Star of Bethlehem lighted the way to the manger, so today the faith in our hearts will lead us to the fruits of our hard-won Victory.

**Key & Burton**

## Amsterdam Dutch Brought Santa Claus Across With Them

The American version of Santa Claus was found chiefly in New York until a paper in that city published the poem we know as "Twas the Night Before Christmas," then it spread rapidly over the whole country and now every community has a similar legend.

It all began about 300 years ago. When the Dutch boys and girls first came to America in the early 17th century, and settled in New Amsterdam, they brought Sinter



Klaas with them, and Sinter Klaas was still their most important day. After a time, the English took Amsterdam from the Dutch and named it New York.

Many years before this, the English had had a Saint Nicholas celebration. In the English celebration, the choir boys elected a boy bishop and for a week boys went around the town begging gifts, but these festivities had been stopped by royal decree. When the English took over New York, the Dutch boys and girls kept right on celebrating Sinter Klaas day in spite of the English laws. Later Norwegian and Belgian children who settled in and near New York, also celebrated the day in a similar manner. It wasn't long before English boys and girls wanted to receive gifts. Since they already were celebrating Christ's birthday on December 25, they chose that day as the one on which to exchange gifts. The English children called Sinter Klaas Santa Claus.

As more and more people of different nationalities came to America, each added its bit to the celebration of Santa Claus day. From the Norwegians came his reindeer, the Italians gave us the custom of hanging up our stockings and so on. The regal figure of Sinter Klaas slowly changed to the fat, jolly Santa Claus of today.

## Best Barrow



Francis Callahan, 24, Milford, Ill., shows his 267-pound chester white "Golden Design," grand champion barrow of the Chicago Market Fat Stock Show.

## Program Given By School

The High School Music and Speech Department of the Perryton schools presented "Why The Chimes Rang," a play by Raymond MacDonald Alden, in the high school auditorium at 7:30 p. m. Dec. 19. The scene of the play took place in a church.

The cast consisted of the following: Narrator, Keith Bray; Pedro Johnny Cox; Little Brother, Frank Bell; Woman in the Snow, Clara Revis; Rich Man, Richard Morgan; Servants, Earnest Janzen and Donald Gurley; Writer, Duane Bell; Musician, J. C. Jones; Artist, Jim Bill Dodson; King, Russell Revis; Minister, Ralph Brumback; Altar boys, Lyman Ellis and Bunny Pletcher; Men, women and children of the city, Jim Dunlavy, Albert Littau, Merl Cudd, Keith Flowers, Nettie Mac Brillhart, Mildred Sager, Beth Trolinger, Pat Barlow, Carmen Keith, Eleanor Witt, Norma Flowers, George May, Ann Osborne, Mitchell Murry and Barbara Kay LaMaster.

The stage crew was composed of Kay Kizzier, Darlene Bull and Pat Henry. Ushers were Barbara Pletcher, Ava Nell Gann, Glen Shrader and Wendel Ferguson.

## Ranger Team Shows Profit For '45 Season

The Perryton Rangers ended the 1945 football season with a net profit of \$116.44. Net receipts from both home and out-of-town games were \$1,206.40, as adjusted against \$1,089.96 in expenditures which included tax and pay of officials.

Net receipts from games are listed as follows:

|               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| Home Games:   |                 |
| Beaver, Okla. | \$114.07        |
| Panhandle     | 71.75           |
| Spearmen      | 35.00           |
| White Deer    | 133.07          |
| Dumas         | 124.35          |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$478.24</b> |

Out-of-town Games:

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Phillips       | \$306.10        |
| Liberal, Kans. | 100.00          |
| Canadian       | 172.06          |
| Shamrock       | 75.00           |
| Guymon, Okla.  | 75.00           |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>\$728.16</b> |

|                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Grand Total</b> | <b>\$1,206.40</b> |
| <b>Expenses</b>    | <b>1,089.96</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>\$116.44</b>   |

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## Greetings in the Old-Time

## American Spirit

Say what you will—there is something about the spirit of Christmas that gets under a fellow's skin, whether he likes it not.

Old Santa Claus plays on the heartstrings until the purse strings are so completely untied that even the latest pocketbook has some difficulty regaining its health again. We have been through it many times. So have you. If you feel the same way we do about it, you wouldn't miss the fun under any circumstances.

So, in the old time American spirit of the Holidays, we wish you the best of Health, Happiness and Prosperity for the Holidays and for many days to come.

## Men's Wear Store

**HERALD'S CLASSIFIED AD PHONE NO. 67**



## Best Wishes For the Season

If the ideals of peace, good will, and kindness to all are not to be forgotten, it is our obligation to keep them alive. We should appreciate and enjoy this great country of ours to its fullest extent. The traditions that are woven into the spirit of Christmas should predominate in our thinking today, tomorrow, and the years to come.

May you spend an old fashioned, joyous holiday and may good health, happiness and prosperity be yours.

**CLUB CAFE**

*Season's*  
**HEARTIEST GREETINGS**

As you eagerly await the occasion of an enjoyable Season with your friends and family . . . we trust you will pause just long enough to accept these few words of Christmas cheer from the personnel of this firm. To have served you in the past has been a decided privilege, prompting us to express a Christmas Greeting that carries with it our best wishes for the coming year. The friendships formed these past twelve months, combined with those other friendships of long standing, lead us to again renew our pledge of service.

**WE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY AND TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24-25**

**Russell's Service**  
BUICK—GMC SALES AND SERVICE



## Our Defenders Speak!

Herald asks that men and women from this community in the armed forces write letters to this department for publication. Letters to relatives that would be of interest to the public will be published under this heading.

Following is from Lt. A. Pittman to his sister, Mrs. Pittman and family at Gray, Texas.

Shanghai, 29 November 1945

I don't think that it had been long since I had written but got busy and find three letters arrived since I last wrote. I dated Oct. 29, Nov. 5 and Nov. 15. I have really been doing well by me and I sure am missing letters from home do you know it last summer I saw him. The Alcor was in P. I. last July. I saw it many times. However, never came to Okinawa. I think, before we left. After the war I never did get back over here. At that time we were 30 miles, as the crow flies, from Buck Bay and about 100 miles from the mainland. I never got over there as we left as soon as we landed down after the war then it was not very long.

My deal on getting well screwed up now, hoping and expecting that less than a week it will be up. Am really anxious to get here.

19 days ago I was invited to a Russian home for dinner. It was very good and I enjoyed it. I went to their home. We had vodka to drink, only vodka. Over here is "death" on the table. As the dinner progressed we finally got to drinking. Joe Stalin and Harry Truman. They swore by Joe Stalin. After the dinner we all went to a Russian masquerade ball. Arrived 10:00 and left about 1:00. It was really quite an experience. I sure did enjoy it.

Also bought myself a pair of red silk PJ's to match my robe and bought Jackie a white mandarin coat trimmed in black with fancy Chinese embroidery all over it. Also ordered some silk underwear stuff to be made up for her. Started raining yesterday afternoon and has continued since. Has been quite cold along with it. It is so damp here that the cold really does go through. I sure would love to have been there while Wamson was home. I guess this time when I get home he will not be so far away, maybe. I guess the kids are having quite a time in school this year. Sure glad to see Perryton has a good football team this year. Am a good month behind on their progress, but it is good to read about their ups and downs. Was sorry that I could not get mail out any sooner after the Okinawa typhoon, but it was just impossible. Sure do hope that I never experience another one. They are slightly dangerous.

Then they started taking pictures again. I was in several of them and plan to get some—maybe today. My exec. and I were the first customers, so we had our pictures made making the purchase. Oh yes, just after the prayer they passed out gifts to the General, Colonel, Chaplain, my exec. and me. What should it turn out to be but a real beautiful red silk robe with yellow dragons on it. They had previously given me a black satin gown and black satin P. J.'s for Jackie, trimmed in white, so I bought a beautiful white silk house coat trimmed in black, and a pair of silk white and blue lounge P. J.'s for Jackie.

Then Monday night they had a big feed to celebrate the opening of the new store. Was a 12-course dinner, menu enclosed (see at bottom of letter) and who should come but the General, five or six Colonels, that many Lt. Colonels and a WAC Major, three Navy Jg's and five army enlisted men. The dinner lasted three hours. The note at the bottom of the menu I thought quite amusing, especially knowing the Chinaman who wrote it. Then after the dinner, they made my exec. and I stay while and what should they do but give us each a pair of white silk P.J.'s trimmed in red to match our robes. What a bunch of Chinamen, they are!

30 November—Had a slight interruption and could not get back to my writing.

Went down town and got a bunch of pictures that were taken at the Grand Opening and also some taken at the Chink dinner. They are very good and I shall be glad to show them to you when I see you again.

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That really was a swell compliment Mrs. Brickley paid your boys. And I'm sure she meant every word of it. While I think about it, be sure and tell Mrs. Sims and the Brickleys hello for me.

Am enclosing a little news clipping about a couple Y.P.'s. This is not all exactly correct as we have not mentioned and never at a place or two that was mentioned. Expect Mr. Stewart has, or will, receive a copy of it.

Must close for this time hoping I have real good news the next time I write.

Love,

Lt. (jg) A. Emmet Pittman, U.S.S. Y. P. 287, Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Calif.

The following is the copy of the menu at the dinner mentioned in Lt. Pittman's letter.

"SWATOW DINNER: Given by the Management of the Oriental Star Company, 67 Museum Road, Shanghai, in celebration of the opening of their new branch store No. 359A Szechuen Road on the 26th November 1945.

MENU: 1. Assorté Hors-d'oeuvres 2. Frittered Chicken Rolls 3. Fried Bamboo Shoots, mushrooms and other vegetables 4. Chicken croquettes with tomato 5. Steamed stuffed duck 6. Pigeons Eggs in flour wrappings 7. Chicken with green peas 8. Sweet mixed pudding 9. Gold coin crab patties 10. Sweet Swatow pastries 11. Mandarin fish in butter sauce 12. Fish and meat balls and vegetables in charcoal heater, a la Swatow style. (This was at the bottom of the menu): At the conclusion of this light dinner, should our esteemed guests desire any more courses, please order a la carte. As in business, we are always at your service."

Moricon, Japan, November 10, 1945

Dear Mr. Stewart: I thought maybe if I sent you my address, it might help me to get the Herald. It seems something of the past to think of home and

friends but maybe the Herald would make them seem more real. A Texas paper is a novelty here, even though there are quite a few Texans in my outfit.

Japan is quite a place. But the people are worse yet. The money here rates just like the people, worthless as a penny.

The Japanese people will give their week's earning in yens for a candy bar or any form of food. Cigarettes are really scarce here. Thirty yen, which is equivalent to two dollars in U. S. money, is the price they will give you for a package of cigarettes. It's not so bad around Tokyo, but farther north from Sendai on, it's actually comical what they will do for food. We get them to wash our clothes or work our details for one candy bar or two cigarettes. They treat us like a God of some form. That is o.k. by us.

This part of Japan is really o.k. as far as sports. We have a large snow covered mountain and at the foot is a river. So if we decide to ice skate or ski, we just take our skates and skis.

They have shotguns here in camp we can use for hunting and also horses to rent for 10 yen. I don't know what there is to hunt besides a few "war happy" Jap men that are around here. Swimming is popular here too but not at the present. It is supposed to get 40 degrees below zero here, but I'll have to see it. Altogether though this is as good or better setup than can be expected over here.

I guess I've told you about all I know at the present, so I will sign off. Here's hoping you get this letter within the next three months.

Sincerely,

Pvt. Don Entertine, 38612470, Co. G. 511th Parachute Infantry, A.P.O. 468, % Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

Since the day the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776, it has twice escaped destruction by fire.

## In the Service of Our Country

Following are addresses of men from this community who have recently entered the armed services, also changes in mailing addresses of service men. We ask that relatives and friends cooperate by turning in new, and changes of address. Due to war department regulations we cannot publish a complete service directory.

LT. ROBERT H. HOLT, 0-2064963, Perrin Field, Box 495, Sherman, Texas.

PVT. HAROLD R. MURRY, 3860-6490, 4th Rep. Dept. Rep. Co. 260, APO 703 c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

PVT. ELDON L. GURLEY, Pfc. 136, R. D. M. C. B., San Diego 41, Calif.

PVT. ERICH H. BUSCHMAN, 38-608617, M/S Pennant Hqs. Ship Com., Seattle POE Seattle 4, Wash. 1ST SGT. M. R. COFFEY, M. B. N. A. T. B., Corpus Christi, Texas.

## Lutheran Church

W. B. Gummelt, Pastor, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, S. W. 7th St. and S. W. 7th Ave. Sunday School and Bible Class—10:00 a. m.

Divine Services—11:00 a. m. Children's Christmas Service on Christmas Eve Dec. 24. Services begin at 6:30 p. m. Divine services on Christmas morning. Services begin at 11 a. m.

Come and worship the new-born Saviour. "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Luke 2, 14.

Living organisms, including insects, earthworms, roots of plants and bacteria have much to do with the formation and fertility of soil.

New York is known as the Empire State.

## TU HOLIDAYS SET

Austin—Christmas holidays for University of Texas students will be from 1 p. m. Dec. 22 through Dec. 27, D. R. T. S. Painter, acting president, has announced. New Year's Day also will be an official holiday.

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## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the many who were so helpful and thoughtful after the death of our dear father and husband. Your kindness can never be forgotten and the flowers were beautiful. May God bless and help each of you.

Mrs. R. H. Francis and Children

Mrs. Edna Watson, Canadian was a week-end guest in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Deba Riley and family.

There are few women lawyers because women prefer to lay down the law rather than take it up.

The man who blushes is not a brute.



To all little lads and lassies we wish heaps of fun and loads of good cheer for the merriest Christmas and happiest New Year. Many, many bright and shining hours to all to you through the year 1946.

**PATTON MOTOR SUPPLY**

CHRISTMAS Greetings

To Our Many Personal Friends-- and Customers

We'd like to visit each and every one of you personally, to spread the glad tidings of the season—but instead we're extending our heartfelt wishes through this message. And looking forward to 1946, we hope it brings you the realization of every aspiration.

**Earl's Cafe**

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Glasgow

To wish you a

**Merry Christmas**

Friendship, like gold, becomes more precious with age. We oftentimes neglect our friends and fail to speak words that will let them know just how much they mean to us. So we are grateful for the season that brings out hearts and minds to the realization of the worth of our friends and also gives us the opportunity to say "We appreciate you, and thank you for the kindness and favors bestowed on us through your loyalty and patronage."

Our wish is that this holiday season be one of joy and merriment and the year 1946 be a succession of days filled with all the good things of life.

**O. A. SCHUSTER**  
PROPANE AND BUTANE





### • Booster Station

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Draper of Dalhart, Texas were dinner guests Friday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Keith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Garrison of Stratford visited Mrs. Garrison's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Fred French and Roy D. Sunday.

Rex Griffin of Hooker visited in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fred French Thursday evening.

Mrs. Burl Bohling entertained the Merry Workers club last Thursday evening with a Christmas party. There was a short Christmas program and gifts exchanged. Those present besides the hostess were Mesdames Cecil Watson, Frank Bell,

Ernie Tregellas, T. W. Gray, P. F. Brickley, Ansel Pittman, Buford Seago, Howard Cassidy, Nell Mounts, O. E. Lallement and Leo White, C. B. Leatherman and Jay White, Del Roy Mounts, Sharon Watson, Marilyn Cassidy and Burlene Bohling, club visitors.

Janice Miller was sick over Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Frye called on the D. W. Springmeyers Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Upson from Pritch are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rutherford.

Mr. and Mrs. John Apple and children visited in the W. E. Grayes home Friday evening.

### Remembers---



Lt. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow listens intently as testimony unfolds the Pearl Harbor attack story at Washington. General Gerow was Acting Assistant Chief of Staff at the time.

### Strictly Fresh

THE tipoff to seriousness of the atomic bomb question is that the Alamogordo test turned out gray on cattle. If the cows are that worried, this is no time for the rest of us to take a smug attitude.

Reports that a Republican researcher has been sitting in on the Pearl Harbor inquiry lead to just one conclusion: although the nation as a whole was not prepared in 1941, the G. O. P. at least, does not intend to be caught without ammunition in 1948.

Announcement that Deanna Durbin's 1944 income was \$326,000 puts logic in the odd turn some of the current strikes are taking. You have to put on an act to get in the big money.

What with one forecast and another, this postwar life is very confusing. Brig. Gen. Leonard F. Ayres, the economist, forecasts a boom if things go right. Dr. Vannevar Bush, the atom scientist, forecasts one if they don't.

There is an ominous connection between a Civilian Production Administration official's announcement that clothing shortages will end in a year and predictions that we'll be in a boom by the end of 1946. If both these advices are true, we'll be all set to lose our shirts.

Miss Norma Holdeman who is attending T. S. C. W. Denton, is expected home this week-end to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

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### Santa Letters

Perryton, Texas  
December 15, 1945

Dear Santa Clause,

We are a little boy and girl who live in this county. I am a little boy 3 1/2 years old, my little sister is 1 1/2 years old.

We have tried to be good and help mother since Daddy is in the service. I want a train, a car, a story book and a gun. My sister wants a baby doll, pull toy and a gun. We want some candy, nuts, apples and oranges.

Please don't forget our Daddy in Washington.

We love you Santa  
Your little friends  
James and Stella Kay Mason

Perryton, Texas  
Dec. 19, 1945

Dear Santa Clause,

Will you please bring me a dolly for Xmas. Also a dresser set, a ring set, a red telephone and a scooter. All that Benny wants is a Choo-Choo and a scooter.

Lots of love,  
Dixie Shannon Conley

Route 3  
Perryton, Texas  
December 17, 1945

Dear Santa Clause,

I am a little boy seven years old. Please bring me some boxing gloves, a football, and some boots. Also bring me some candy, nuts, and

fruit. But don't forget all the other boys and girls all over the world. Your little friend,  
Bobby Hall

Perryton, Texas  
Dec. 18, 1945

Dear Santa,

Sissy and I have tried to be very good little boy and girl. We wanted a real live horse for Xmas but we will square off this year for a big rocking horse, and would like to have two rocking chairs and a little divan, and the same thing in our sock granddaddy got when he was a little boy.

Lots of love  
Jessie Loyd and Reawanda Grace Russell

### • Hospital Notes

Visiting Hours:  
10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.  
2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.  
7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Willie Leroy Eisenmann is the name of the son born to Mr. and Mrs. Everett Eisenmann, Dec. 15.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Goodson, Spearman, are the parents of a daughter, Dana Dean, born Dec. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cudd are the parents of a daughter born Dec. 12. She was named Lillie Lou.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Smith are the parents of a daughter, Linda Kay born December 12.

Charley Holmes is a medical patient. Gene Nemsgron is a surgical pa-

tient. He underwent an operation Sunday morning.

Carl Kerns is a medical patient. Elton Symons, a pneumonia patient was admitted Tuesday afternoon.

Leslie Rich, a medical patient was admitted Friday.

Bud Martin was dismissed Tuesday morning and returned to his home at Pampa. He was injured in a wreck December 12.

Joan Kizzlar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Booker Kizzlar was dismissed Monday.

Judy Parker was able to leave the hospital Tuesday evening.

R. L. Cooper, Spearman was a medical patient from Saturday until Tuesday.

Henry Lile, a medical patient was dismissed December 18.

Mrs. John Butler, R. N., and Mrs. Ivan Gilbert are assisting the hospital staff temporarily.

### MANY PARTICIPATE

Austin, Texas—The Hogg Foundation of the University of Texas reports that 120,000 persons have participated in institutes and other types of mental hygiene meetings in the past year. Work of the foundation is on of assistance, and not direction Dr. R. L. Sutherland, director says, and it offers help when called upon by groups whose work is related to mental hygiene—medicine and psychiatry, clinical psychology, social work, personnel work, education and religion.

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## Holiday Greetings

"And Lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, His Mother, and fell down, and worshipped Him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented Him gifts; gold, frankincense and myrrh."—The Gospel according to St. Matthew.

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### GREETINGS

.... of the Season

The Yuletide Season brings with it pleasant thoughts of friendships—tried, proven and cherished throughout the past. It makes us realize that friendly associations with our fellow men are invaluable in both public and private life and are above things material.

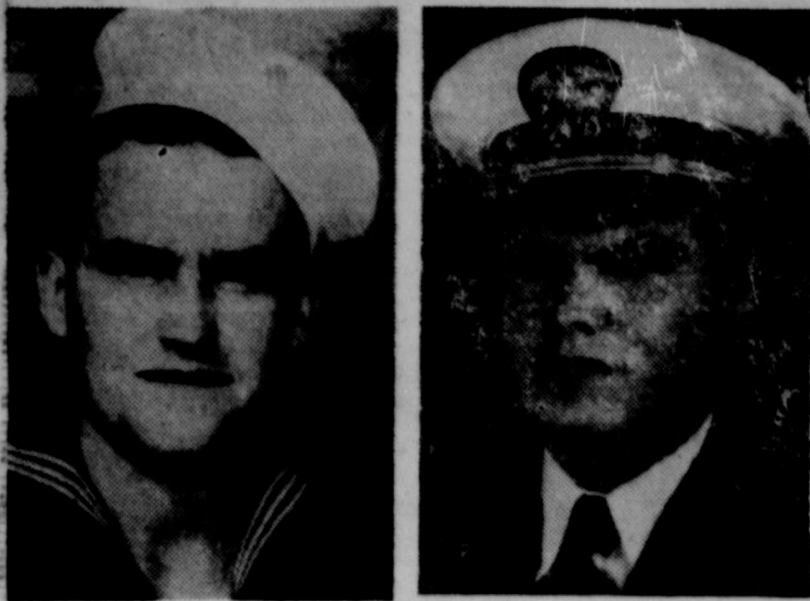
It is significant of the season, then, that we pause to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. And for your friendships and favors we are truly grateful.

**Blackie's Service Station**









**LEE BROTHER SERVE IN NAVY**—Henry M. Lee, CM 1/c, left, was awarded a discharge from the U. S. Navy at Norman, Okla., Dec. 18 and arrived in Perryton Wednesday. He has served 26 months in the Pacific theater of operations and earned the American Theater, Asiatic, and the Philippine Liberation Ribbons and the Good Conduct Medal. Henry graduated from the Perryton schools in 1939 and then attended Goodwell College one year. When he volunteered Oct. 1942, he was engaged in farming and cattle raising. Ensign Alvin L. Lee, right, is the commanding officer of the USS L. C. T. 329 now in the Pacific area and based in the Marshall Islands according to last word. Alvin was born in Carmen, Okla., August 11, 1919, graduated from the Booker high school, and received his degree in mathematics and agriculture at Canyon. He volunteered March 20, 1942, at Dallas and reported for duty July 6, 1943. On May 1, 1942, he and Willene Buels, Earth, were married. They have a son, Alvin Leslie. The two Lee brothers are sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lee of Booker. They have six sisters and three brothers.

## School Officials to Borger Today

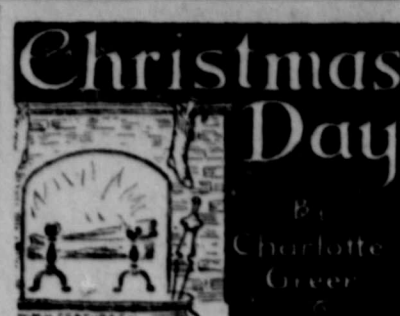
Superintendent J. A. Anderson and Coach Floyd Murry of the Perryton schools are in Borger today attending a meeting of the executive committee in District 1A football to arrange the 1946 Ranger schedule. The meeting which is presided over by Superintendent Kellus Turner of Panhandle, is being held in the Black Hotel.

## Attend Funeral

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shirley left Tuesday for Crowell to attend the funeral of his brother, Lee Shirley, who died suddenly of a heart attack. Mr. Shirley was 52 years old and a long-time resident of Crowell.

## Perryton Markets

| Wednesday, December 19, 1945 |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Wheat                        | \$1.51 |
| Barley                       | 1.00   |
| Milo                         | 2.05   |
| Oats                         | .75    |
| Heavy hens                   | .18    |
| Light hens                   | .16    |
| Heavy spring fryers          | .22    |
| Light spring fryers          | .20    |
| Eggs                         | .40    |
| Cream                        | .48    |
| Hides                        | .09    |



**Christmas Day**  
By Charlotte Green

"THE trouble with having such an all-fired modern family and trying to keep up with them," Alice told herself as she looked around the hotel dining room on Christmas Day, "is that modernism and Christmas just don't go together."

Her face felt as stiff as a hardened jelly mold from holding the smile she was determined not to relax, and internally she was positively wound up from the effort to emulate the rest of the gay, noisy people who were here instead of being at home where Alice thought they should be on that day above all others that has made your own fireside the place you most like to be.

While they waited for the entree she and William were alone, sitting at opposite ends of the long table watching their children dance. Each one had been permitted a guest of his own age, but Alice's eyes were focused on her tall, dark-haired Bill and his slim, golden-haired girl, Rosemary. Bill would soon be eighteen, that was why he fixed her attention.

William came over and sat beside her. "Happy, Alice?" he said, and covered her hand with his. She returned his smile. After all, this spree was costing enough to have bought three or four turkeys for home consumption. "You were right, dear," she said. "The youngsters love it."

"Rosemary told me this is the one orchestra of all on the air that she'd choose to see," he said proudly. "It's a holy wonder her folks would let her out of the house on Christmas Day."

"The Custers are pretty old-fashioned people," said Alice, feeling that she was complimenting the girl's family.

"We're good for the Custers," said William. "They need stirring up. It's a fine thing for Rosie to get out and see a bit of the world."

"They're having their Christmas dinner tonight," said Alice. "Mrs.



"Happy, Alice?" he asked.

Custer has invited Bill before the young people go to the dance. "Come on, Alice, let's show these kids what for." In spite of the crowd, William covered the ground as he had in college when she fell in love with him. She was glad that she had managed to have her hair done Saturday. The gardenias the children had given her to wear to church yesterday were still fresh. She'd let Sister wear them tonight if her date didn't crash through. Bill had bet Sis fifty cents he wouldn't.

The orchestra melted into "White Christmas," and young Bill tapped his father on the shoulder. "Mom's favorite. Dad, let's change."

Alice said, "You dance almost as well as your Dad."

"Look at him, will you?" said Bill. "Quite the old boy."

Before long everyone was helping Bill and Sister dress for the dance. Bill lost his wager, and whistled over the red roses that were just right on the turquoise blue of Sister's frock.

She said Bill looked simply gorgeous in his tuxedo and when his father saw him he said, "Too bad they don't wear 'em in the army, son."

They heard Bill call Rosemary's number on the phone downstairs and then he closed the door for privacy. "Wouldn't you think," said Sister, "he'd give the poor girl a chance to take a bath? I bet she gets good and sick of him."

Suddenly Alice remembered a call she had forgotten to make about the baskets the church distributed yesterday. She flew to the upstairs extension, and when she heard Bill still talking in leisurely fashion, she opened her mouth to say, as she often did when necessary, "Hang up, you two, I need the phone."

But she didn't say those words or any others. She listened a few moments and her eyes filled with tears. The disappointment and hurt at the way her family had preferred to spend their Christmas vanished as her very best Christmas present of 1945 was received on the wire.

"Heck no," Bill was saying. "I can hardly wait for an old-fashioned Christmas dinner. That hotel business was all Dad's idea so Mom wouldn't have to cook and wash dishes all day. None of us liked it at all. Mom had a good time, though."

The most famous capes on our Atlantic coast are Cape Charles and Cape Henry, located at the entrance to Chesapeake Bay, Va.

## Blue Mound

The ladies' club met December 12 in the home of Mrs. Mabel Beckwith. The activities of the day were embroidery, covered dish lunch, business meeting, Christmas program, Christmas pie and the revealing of each ladies' mystery friend.

The roll call, "name a wintertime entertainment for the home" was answered by 13 members and two visitors. Business was discussed and disposed of. Marie Blosser had charge of the program. May Pattison read from the Bible, Matthew 2, and a reading was given by Lola Rorabaugh and another by Marie Blosser. Telling of their first Christmas in this country were Mrs. Caylor and Mrs. A. M. Morris; Mrs. L. V. Noe gave a Christmas story and Maxine Rorabaugh sang "White Christmas."

The Christmas pie was opened and everyone had a part in it. The guess box was won by Marie Blosser. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Effie Morris January 9. Members present at the meeting Wednesday were Mesdames Fannie Sagar, J. W. Caylor, Vera Presnell, Lola Rorabaugh, Opal Naylor, Dorothy Stewart, Effie Morris, Lillie Morris, Merl Mounts, Marie Blosser, May Pattison, Mabel Beckwith and Miss Maxine Rorabaugh. Visitors were Mrs. L. V. Noe and Mrs. Clara

Wichery of Alva.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Blosser and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Partridge drove to Liberal Tuesday afternoon when the Partridges entrained for Irving, Ill., where they will attend the funeral of Mrs. Partridge's brother-in-law and make an indefinite visit. While in Liberal the group visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Maxwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wichery of Bartlesville, Okla. are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Mounts.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Morris called Tuesday evening on Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Long.

Ralph Pattison drove to Amarillo

Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Nelson Tuesday on Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Idella Cavin and Mrs. Guymon are visiting in the her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Blosser, Mrs. H. E. Pattison attended Monday night in the home of Mrs. Cecil Watson.

Maryland, one of the original states, was named the mother of Charles II.

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## Christmas Greetings

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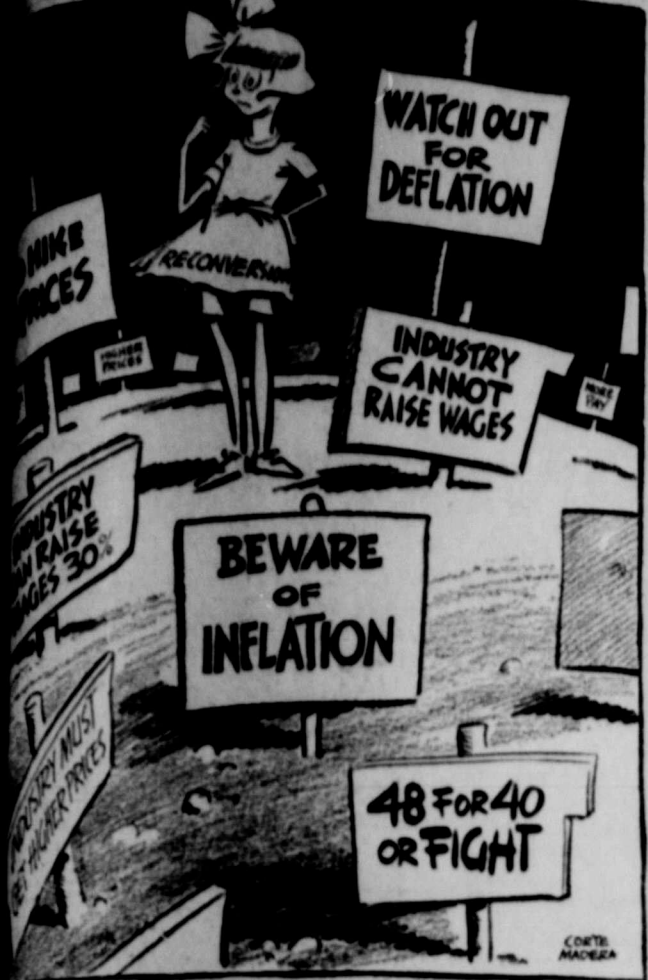
May You Enjoy a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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## Alice in Blunderland



God Rest Ye . . .  
God rest ye merry, gentlemen,  
Let nothing you dismay,  
For Jesus Christ, our Savior,  
Was born upon this day  
To save us all from Satan's power  
When we were gone astray.  
O, tidings of comfort and joy  
For Jesus Christ, our Savior,  
Was born on Christmas day.

**Late Christmas**  
There are still millions of Christians who observe January 6 or January 7 as Christmas. They allow for the 12 days difference in the old calendar and the new. The Eastern Orthodox observe January 7. In North Carolina one church group observes January 6, as do a number of other sects.

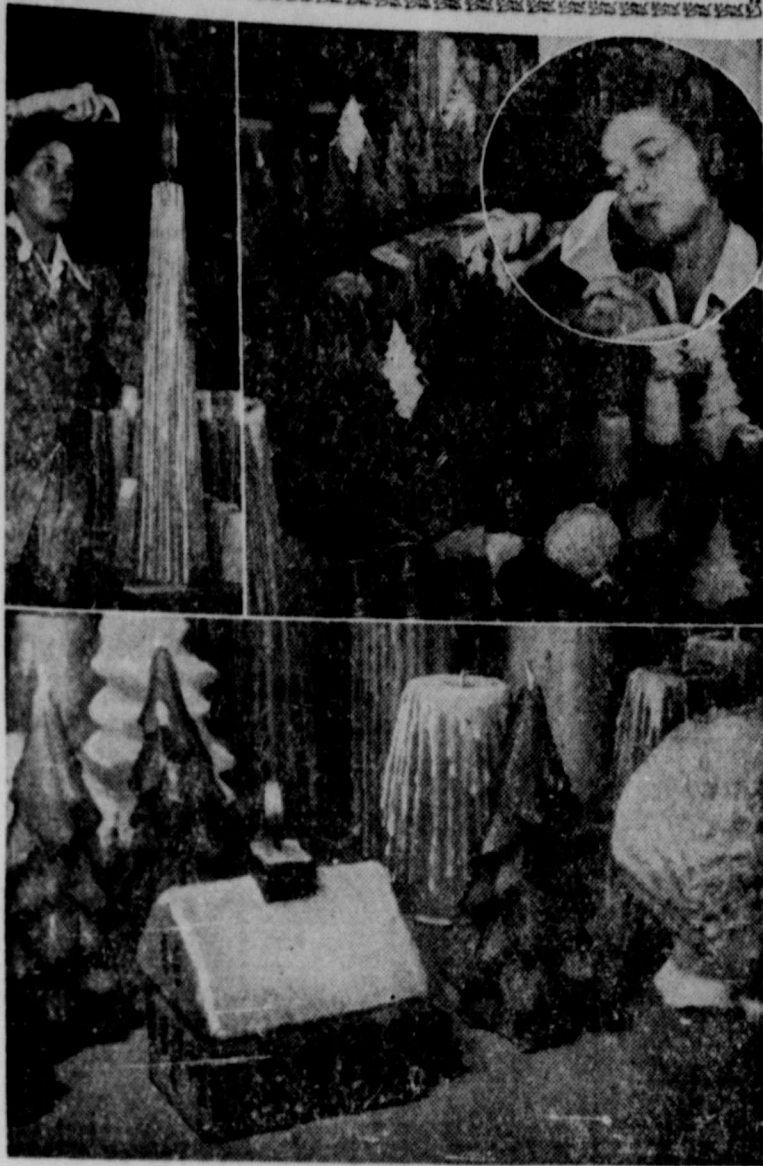
**Theme Changes**  
The Nativity theme in Christmas carols gave way to the sentiment: "Bring us in good ale."

Corn with kernel moisture content of 25 to 30 per cent is likely to spoil in the crib.

Green peppers are a good source of vitamin C.

performing chimpanzees. Philadelphia zoo are guests at a Christmas party. One of them finds that the carrots decorating the very tasty. One of the Santa Claus at the

## Candles—Symbolic of Season



Christmas candles can take many shapes and forms, many may be made at home, or purchased on the market, to suit the decorative effect desired.

### America's War Loan Record

| Loan                | Quota                    | Sales            | Percent of Quota   |
|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
|                     | (In Millions of Dollars) |                  |                    |
| First .....         | \$ 9,000                 | \$ 12,947        | 144                |
| Second .....        | 13,000                   | 18,555           | 143                |
| Third .....         | 15,000                   | 18,944           | 126                |
| Fourth .....        | 14,000                   | 16,730           | 120                |
| Fifth .....         | 16,000                   | 20,639           | 129                |
| Sixth .....         | 14,000                   | 21,621           | 154                |
| Seventh .....       | 14,000                   | 26,313           | 188                |
| <b>TOTALS</b> ..... | <b>\$95,000</b>          | <b>\$135,749</b> | <b>Average 143</b> |

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## Making Colored Flames For Christmas Fireplace

Would you like beautifully colored flames in the Christmas fireplace?

Here are a number of chemicals which may be added to shellac as a carrier. Small pieces of wood may be painted with the mixture, or the chemicals and shellac mixed with sawdust.

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Violet flame      | potassium chlorate |
| Yellow flame      | potassium nitrate  |
| Orange flame      | calcium chloride   |
| Red flame         | strontium nitrate  |
| Apple-green flame | barium nitrate     |
| Emerald flame     | copper nitrate     |
| Green flame       | borax              |
| Purple flame      | lithium chloride   |

## Serving of Boar's Head

One of Old Yule Customs

Of the customs that grew up around the Christmas festival in Merrie England, the serving of the boar's head was one of the most stirring. It endures to this day at Queen's college, Oxford, where the 50-pound tusked head—in a great silver dish, escorted by trumpeters and candle bearers. It is served up with a wondrous flourish of music and mustard at the high table where sit the dons.

In the olden days there was an appropriate chant, half carol and half ritual, that the gentlemen used to bellow at the moment the dish troubled the board:

Then set down the swineyard,  
The foe to the vineyard,  
Let Bacchus crown his fall.  
Let this boar's head and mustard  
Stand for pig, goose and custard,  
And so ye are welcome all.

## Date of Nativity Fixed By Roman Emperor

December 25 was decreed as the date of Christ's Nativity by the Roman Emperor Julian who began his reign as a Christian but reverted to paganism before his death in 363 A. D.

Julian based his decree on the opinions advanced by the fathers of the Western churches.

December 25 was, moreover, acceptable to most churches and peoples because the season of the winter solstice had always been celebrated as a festival period—Roman Saturnalia, Scandinavian Yule, the Mithrasian Feast of sol invictus, etc.

Some Eastern churches, however, consistently claimed January 6 as Christmas and have continued celebrating Christmas upon that date throughout the centuries.

Anybody who ever tried to steer a boat can understand why they call one "she."

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Charlie Kent—Vance Apple—Gertrude Tallman  
Virgil Moore—Ruth Wade

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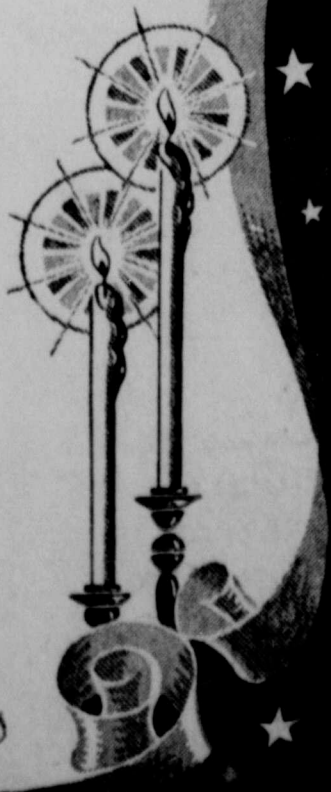
## Christmas and Friends Go Hand in Hand . . . .

All too often we take our friends for granted. We are aware of the fact that every day sees some evidence of the friendships of the people whom we strive to serve and too frequently we neglect acknowledging these kindnesses.

But at Christmas, when we pause in the busy whirl of everyday routine things, we become conscious of our shortcomings, and wish to convey in this message our heartfelt thanks to you for the good things that have come our way.

To you, our friends, we wish you a Happy Christmas and a New Year of Health and Prosperity.

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## Colorful Homemade Decorations Lend Gaiety to Christmas Tree

Contriving homemade Christmas wreaths is a family project that can provide fun for youngsters and adults alike. Moreover, it offers chances for ingenuity in design that may awaken the inventive spirit of everybody concerned.

The materials are usually not hard to find. Designs can be based on a few basic ideas which can be expanded into almost endless variety.

For Christmas wreaths, various greens, wire, binder twine and string are of course, the principal ingredients. The greens may come from the home yard, neighboring woods or a convenient florist. Among common varieties are holly, pine, spruce,

the tips of branches, cutting the material into sprays about half a foot long. Hold the material in the left hand and place it on the frame with the right. Tie the first spray securely with binder twine, or if you have it, fine spool wire. Add successive groups of sprays, facing them in the same direction as the first spray and being certain to tie them securely, too. Watch the outline of the wreath as you proceed, so the greens are evenly distributed and the contour of the circle is preserved.

Some irregularities and bunching may of course occur regardless of how careful your work is. These can be corrected by using shears to trim off excess foliage.

After the wreath is finished it is still possible to add decorative features, such as pine cones, berries or small fruits. These should be wired at the stems and then fastened securely to the wreath.

Sizes and types of wreaths will depend on the materials available and to a certain extent on the family's geographical location. But many variations on the basic design will suggest themselves, once the project of wreath-making is undertaken.

boxwood, yew, arbutus, ivy and mountain laurel. For color, such fruits as crabapples, cranberries, grapes, or small tangerines may be added. A coat of shellac will help preserve the fruit.

First, it is wise to decide the size of the wreath you want and then work from there.

If the wreath is to be small—say not to exceed three feet in circumference—the frame can be made from a coat hanger that is straightened out and then fashioned into the form of a circle. For larger wreaths, several coat hangers may be combined to form a frame, or else wire salvaged from some farm or home operation can be utilized.

Among greens best suited for small wreaths are holly, boxwood, yew or arbutus. For larger wreaths, holly, pine, fir, ivy are effective.

So far as possible, in working with evergreens, it is advisable to use

Zanesville, Ohio, was designated by the Literary Digest as the typical American city.

Greeting Cards at Herald office!

## Nightly Posadas Drama Of Nine-Day Christmas

In Mexico, "Posadas" commemorate the journey of Mary and Joseph and their attempt to find lodging in Bethlehem.

Families and friends are divided into two groups—the Holy Pilgrims and the Cruel Hearted Innkeepers. The Pilgrims, led by an angel guiding Mary and Joseph, march through the house carrying lighted candles and singing the Litany of Loretto.

The Innkeepers slip into a room and close the door: soon Joseph begs entrance, which is refused until much coaxing and explanation reveal how desperately Mary needs shelter and the Pilgrims are finally admitted whereupon the whole assembly kneels in prayer before an improvised altar.

After the "Posada" is over, refreshments are served and the evening is spent in jollification.

This nation's imports of black pepper reached about two million pounds last summer. Before the war the total imports usually ran 60 million pounds per year.

## Young Charmer



This eager youngster is all set to turn her charms loose on Santa, and with results that will leave his pack considerably lighter in weight.

## Caesar Practical: First to Hint of Gifts He Wanted

As soon as man became sufficiently civilized to devise himself some sort of a calendar, the festival of the New Year assumed importance and was designated as the proper time for gaiety, hospitality, and gift-giving.

This spirit of gift-giving presumably continued upon a haphazard path until Julius Caesar hit upon the brilliant idea of "hinting" as to the amount of money or specific "gift" he expected to receive from such and such a person.

The conquering Romans carried the custom of "ordering" precise gifts with them when they invaded the British Isles. Centuries later, the kings and queens of England, who were not as wealthy as they were reported to be, revived the custom of Caesar's day. On one New Year's day, the money and value of presents received by Henry VIII amounted to nearly 800 pounds—or about \$4,000. Queen Elizabeth used the same method upon her favorites and courtiers, thereby replenishing her wardrobe with petticoats, mantles, gowns, and silk stockings, to say nothing of the bracelets, necklaces, and easkets of precious stones commandeered in like manner.

In modern America, Christmas is the gift-givingest day of all, but every child who writes a letter to Santa Claus and every fair lady who conspicuously mentions the name of her favorite perfume is perpetuating a New Year's custom invented by Julius Caesar and effectively used by medieval royalty.

## New Year Greeting

I saw the hills of the morning.  
The form of the new year arise;  
He stood like a statue adorning  
The world with a background of  
skies;

There was courage and grace in his  
beautiful face,  
And hope in his glorious eyes.

"I come from Time's boundless for-  
ever."

He said, with a voice like a song:  
"I come as a friend to endeavor,  
I come as a foe to all wrong."

To the sad and afraid I bring prom-  
ise of aid,  
And the weak I shall gird and  
make strong.

"I bring you more blessings than  
terrors,  
I bring you more sunlight than  
gloom."

I tear out your page of old errors,  
And hide them away in Time's  
tomb;

I reach you clean hands and lead on  
to the lands,  
Where the lilies of peace are in  
bloom."

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## Save Greeting Cards for Making Different Unique Gift Decorations

Here's a suggestion that will make your friends wish they had thought of it first.

Don't throw away the lovely greeting cards you have received and saved during the year. Keep them as ornaments for packages, or to decorate an otherwise plain wall.

The next time you wrap a gift for someone, glance through the greeting cards you have saved and pick out one with a colorful or appropriate picture on it. Cut the picture out neatly, glue or paste it on your gift wrapping. That's all there is to it.

There are any number of objects about the house that cutouts from greeting cards might brighten: closet doors, furniture, waste paper baskets, screen and cigarette boxes. Pasted on and coated with a preservative of clear shellac, greeting cards can serve a variety of decorative purposes.

Inexpensive and distinctive gift novelties can be made from the

greeting cards. Bookends, jelly jars for flower vases, bookmarks, matchbooks, handblotters, tally cards and score pads can be made to look quite impressive by the simple addition of a design cut out from greeting cards and pasted on these objects.

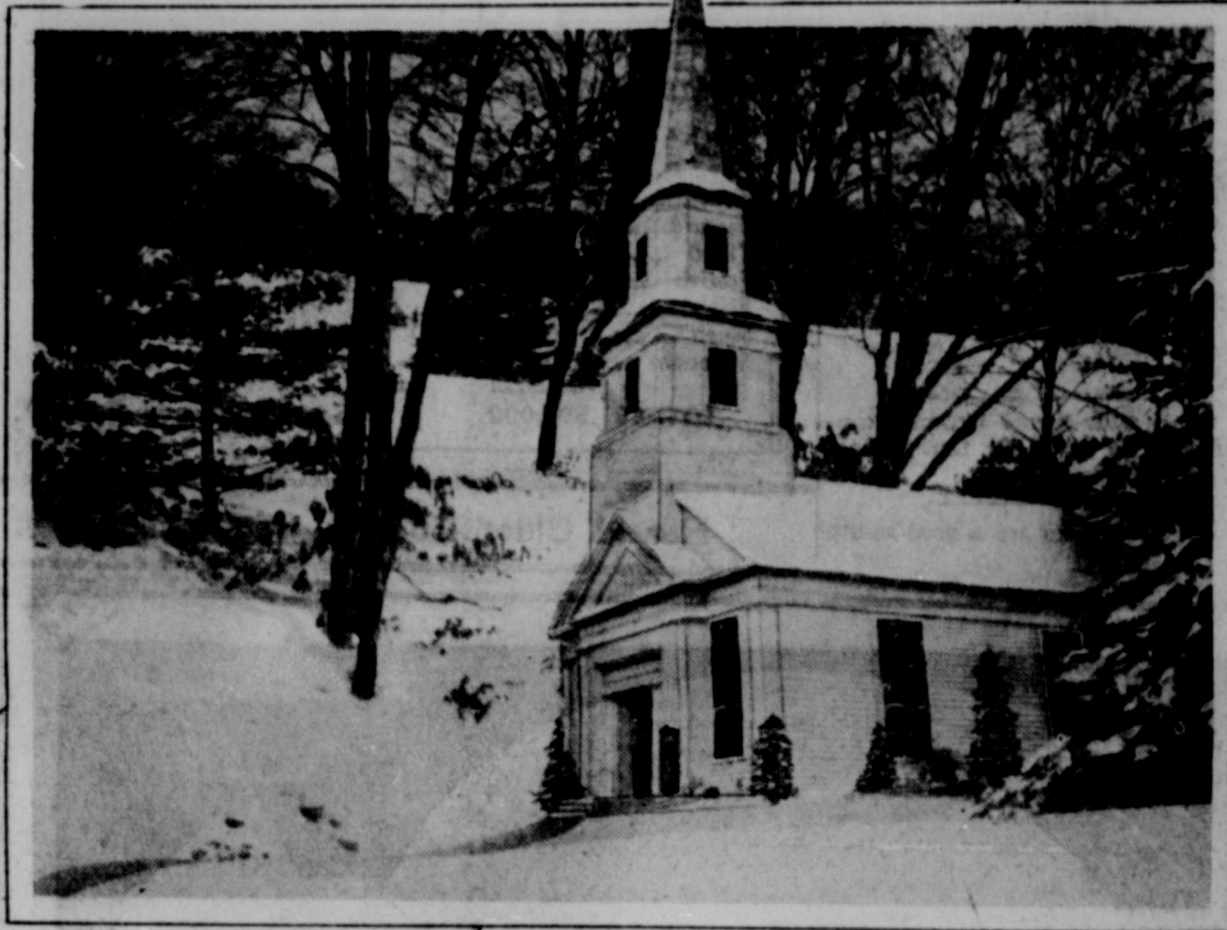
The lovely etchings and reproductions of famous masters and the flower prints that appear on so many greeting cards are well worth the price of a small frame. These pint-sized pictures are "just the thing" to brighten a dark corner of some room or entrance hall.

Some rainy afternoon when the children are looking for something to do, give them the greeting cards you have saved during the year. Especially will they like to make gay blotters from the cutout designs. Have them make small-sized ones for checkbooks, a good-sized one for Dad's desk, and a pretty feminine one for Mother's correspondence, or selected ones for friends.



Official Navy  
WAVES GOOD AIR NAVIGATORS. Lt. (jg) J. M. Falls, U. S. Navy, Lakewood, Ohio, prepares to "shoot the stars" on night operations over the ocean. Many of the eighty Wave officers designated by the Navy must continue in service. Investment in Victory helps make life pleasanter for them wherever stationed.

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# Merry CHRISTMAS

On the day which is the anniversary of the birth of the son of God, how fitting it is that we should enter the friendly doors of the Church of our faith with gratitude in our hearts for the blessings He has granted us. United we have walked the difficult road together, and now with the end of that road in sight, united let us lift our voices in praise of the Almighty. For it is with His guidance that we shall be able to celebrate future Christmases in a world of freedom and everlasting Peace.



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All Around the Town--  
All Around the World--

—To the men and women of our community who have served democracy so well in assuming their wartime responsibilities to the point of sacrifice. This Christmas brings as its most treasured gift the return of our men and women in service—and the New Year will find us returned to peacetime pleasures. To each of our friends, here at home we extend the very best wish of the Yuletide season—plus the hope that 1946 will bring your fondest wishes into being for yourself and your loved ones.



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As Christmas carols once again fill the air with the spirit of friendliness and good will, we join in the chorus to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas, with the sincere hope that the coming New Year will be one of your happiest.

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## TRIBUTE TO SERVICE WOMEN



**THEY STUCK TO THE END.** Lt. Susie Pitcher, Lt. Goldia O'Haver and Lt. C. D. R. Laura M. Cobb, Navy nurses, who were taken by the Japs in the surrender of the Philippines, are back in the United States after three years of terrifying experiences in filthy Nip prisons. Navy nurses must continue to care for wounded personnel for many months. Investment in Victory Bonds will help supply the tools of rehabilitation for the men who suffered during the dark days.

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## Lucky Landing



Rather than endanger children by landing in a schoolyard close by, the pilot of this plane at Bellflower, Calif., chose a house-top for his forced landing when motor trouble developed. Pilot and passengers suffered only minor cuts and bruises.

During the war more than 30,000 men trained at Corpus Christi, Texas, the world's largest air training base.

## Syria Camel of Jesus Blessed by Child Christ

In Syria, water and wheat await the Gentle Camel of Jesus who travels over the desert on Epiphany Eve bringing presents to good children.

Legend says the youngest of the camels which bore the Wise Men to Bethlehem was exhausted by the pressing journey and, as it lay moaning before the Stable, the Christ Child blessed it with immortality.

## In Dance Measure

Christmas carols were in dance measure at first. The word carol comes from "corolla," a ring, because the song was for a ring dance.

## Old Custom

Christmas caroling was a thriving custom in England of the fourth century.

## Yule Log

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## HERE'S HOW TO SELECT A TREE

"How can we select a Christmas tree that holds its needles?" is a question fathers and mothers ask year after year.

The answer depends on the type of tree you buy and the care you give it once you set it up.

All trees tend to drop their leaves after they are cut and stored in a dry room. But some kinds naturally hold their needles longer than others. Trees used most commonly on Christmas are the spruces, fir, hemlock, pine and red cedars.

Spruce are the first to shed their needles. A spruce can be identified by grasping a branch tightly. Its sharp needles will prick your hand.

The ideal Christmas tree is the fir. It resembles the spruce except that its needles are not sharp. The needles stay on the tree for a long time, and become a golden brown before they finally drop off. Needles of the Douglas fir are flat and soft to the touch. This popular tree can be easily identified by examining the cones which have small appendages on each side.

Pines have never been very popular as Christmas trees, in spite of the fact that they do not shed their needles easily. This is most likely due to their unsymmetrical appearance which does not closely resemble the traditional Christmas tree.

No matter what kind of Christmas tree you select, it will hold its needles longer if it is standing in water. Place a little water in the base of your tree stand and you will be bothered less with falling needles than you were last year.

## Miracle Plays Still Held

Among more tradition - observing communities of the world, old-time miracle plays are still performed, often in the form of elaborate dances, in solemn, but lavish, settings against the colorful background of tropical foliage.

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## Potted Yule Trees Can Be Used for Several Years

The record of using the same Christmas tree for the last five holiday seasons is held by Mrs. H. R. Yount of Brunswick county in North Carolina.

Mrs. Yount planted a small cedar by her farm house and the first Christmas it was about 15 inches high. She placed it in a pot and used it as a table tree with appropriate decorations.

After the first Christmas, she replanted the small tree by the house, then dug it up again and placed it in a bucket on a table for its second holidays.

Again it was replanted and the third year it took its place on the floor with the children adding the necessary decorations. It was very carefully treated and again reset by the house. For the last two years it has been used as an outside Christmas tree to carry all the lights and decorations.

Mrs. Yount and the other members of the family have made special preparations for decorating the traditional Christmas tree again this year.

## Boar's Head Rich In Lore and Food

The wild boar has been revered from earliest times as having taught mankind the art of plowing by routing into the ground with his tusks.

Pre-Christian Druids, celebrating the winter solstice, offered a boar's head to the goddess Freya and, because of its food value, boar has always been an important part of festive menus.

Once upon a Christmas Day—the story goes—a student of Oxford was studying Aristotle while walking in Shooter's forest. Suddenly a wild boar rushed at the lad who, in desperation, crammed his book into the gaping jaws of the beast.

The student was poor and could not afford to lose his Aristotle, so he cut off the boar's head and recovered the text book; neither was a good boar's head to be wasted, so it was taken to Queen's college, roasted and eaten. Whenceforth, elaborate ceremonies attend the bringing in of the boar's head on Christmas Day.

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## Animals Warmed Holy Infant in Bethlehem

Many legends attribute the power of speech to birds and animals during the midnight hour of Christmas Eve in recognition of the beasts who, sharing the stable of Bethlehem, warmed the Holy Infant with their breath.

To honor these traditions, Polish children masquerade in animal costumes on Christmas Eve.

In Latin American countries roasted pumpkin seed are sold at peddler's stands much as roasted peanuts are sold in this country.

## FLYING BALL CLUBS

CHICAGO — The entering wedge that may mean west coast baseball teams playing in either the American or the National League was the signing of volume travel contracts by 11 major league baseball clubs calling for service in 1946. With flying recognized as a means of travel for ball clubs and the promise of 9 to 10 hours transcontinental flight schedules in the near future the arrangement of schedules allowing a west coast city to have a member team in either league would be possible.

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Believe in our sincerity, when we add that whatever we can do to increase your season's cheer—we shall gladly do!



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## Atom Bomb Turns Hair Gray!



An "atomic calf"—its hair turned from red to gray along the back and left side—is the way this critter is described by Alfred Hunter, New Mexico Sanitary Board inspector, who is shown holding it at Alamogordo, near the scene of the blast. The calf was on the Louis Naldo ranch about 25 miles from the explosion. Hunter says 25 or 30 other calves in the vicinity turned gray, too.

## Superstitions Told About New Year's In Many Lands

## Good Luck Offered in Many Ways to 'Believers.'

New Year's Day affords everyone the opportunity to bring himself good luck throughout the year. At least that is supposed to be true according to several old superstitions concerning the beginning of a new year.

The "First Foot"—the first person to enter the house on New Year's morning—plays a significant role in the family's future fortunes. He must be a dark man to bring good luck, but if he also brings a gift and "carries in" more than he "takes out," then the house is assured peace and plenty for a whole year. The most auspicious gifts as luck-bringers are a lump of coal and a red herring.

Unmarried persons are advised to look out of the window on New Year's morning. If you see a man, it is a sign that you will be wed before the year is out. Should you see a horse, you can have a wish, and it will be realized within the year. To see a dog is lucky, but a cat foretells worry.

A little care will make it possible to bring oneself good luck for the entire year. Wear something new, if possible, on New Year's Day, but the garment must be put on when you first dress in the morning. Receipt of a gift is certain to carry luck. Wish everyone you meet "A Happy New Year," but remember when the greeting is given to cross your fingers for luck. Be sure to say "rabbits" as the first word when you wake before anyone has had a chance to speak to you.

Love's progress will be aided on New Year's Day if you are careful to put on the left stocking before the right. The potency of this charm is supposed to be increased if you do all things as far as possible left-handedly during the day.

To open a bank account on New Year's Day was considered lucky in Old England, the custom growing probably from the belief of many centuries that whatever you do on the first day of the year will be an indication of what will happen during the months that will follow.

In some parts of England and Scotland it is supposed to be unlucky to leave a house until some outsider has first entered it.

When Austin, Texas was selected as the permanent site for the capital of Texas it was called "Waterloo."

## My Daily Prayer

Author Unknown

"This coming year I'd like to be a friend to everyone; I'd like to feel each day well spent at setting of the sun; I'd like to know that I have done at least one kindly deed. Before I lay me down to sleep that I have given heed—to some one's cry for sympathy, or friendship or that I have made the day seem brighter to some chance passer-by. And that the world is better still in just some little way, Because I've tried to live the very best I could each day."

"I'd like to be a ray of light when skies are overcast, I'd like to help some one who failed to blot out all the past, To start again despite the storms, and find the skies are blue, To know that in this good old world there's lots that's fine and true, I'd like to be the kind of person everyone will love, And make the world seem just a little more like heaven above; I'd like in all my dealings to be true and just and fair, That God will help me do these things shall be my daily prayer."

Poultion is made from lean beef without bone. Consomme is a clear broth made from cooking two or three meats together.

## Still Center of Nation's Celebration



The White House belonged to the children on Christmas, during the late F. D. Roosevelt terms, and this Christmas will find President Truman's daughter and her friends carrying on the American traditions.

## NO MORE "BUMPING"

WASHINGTON—Removal of War Department priorities on air travel and reduced fares by the commercial airlines have resulted in a heavy increase in demand for plane seats.

The airlines are putting more planes into service and will meet the public demand as rapidly as possible. Travelers are protected against "bumping" under the regulations.

## Christmas Crib Tradition Was Founded by Medieval

## Tableau in Old Naples

In 1787, Goethe described Naples as the city of Christmas Crib: every church had its "Praesepe" and families erected evergreen shrines within their homes and upon the flat roof-tops of their dwellings where Vesuvius and the starlit Neapolitan sky created a Hollywood-like background.

St. Francis of Assisi received special permission from the Vatican to present a Christmas tableau in 1223. This first "Praesepe," set up in the chance of the church in Greccio, Italy, was complete with real live animals.

There is a lot of happiness in the belief that you are fooling others into believing that you are happy.

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Dominoes originated in France. Those who want but little—get it.



Again may we know the fragrance  
Of hemlock, pine and holly.  
Again may friendly voices call  
A greeting warm and jolly;  
And again may the meaning of  
Christmas,  
Deep and still more true  
Bring faith and hope and gladness  
To the hearts of yours and you.

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the mirth and gladness in our hearts; the gay laughter and happy words that fill the air  
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**MEDAL FOR MILITARY OPERATIONS.** Maj. Frances S. Cornick, Photo  
torson, Va., Deputy WAC Director, received the bronze star medal for mer-  
itorious operations in the Reserve Army Unit. Leadership and determina-  
tion are cited in the award. Brig. Gen. Allen R. Kimball made the pre-  
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Two Sets of Twins Mark Golden Wedding



Willis and Hillis Truesdale, 71-year-old twins, are shown at their Golden Wedding celebration at Shandon, Calif., with wives Zora and Nora, also twins. The couples went through the ceremony all over again because the preacher who officiated half a century ago omitted the "I do." Willis and Zora are at left, and Hillis and Nora are at right.

The State of Delaware has only three counties.

Twenty-nine states have a \_\_\_\_\_  
ington county

Suffolk, Va., is known as the city of wooden chimneys.

The word ternity appears once in the bible.

**Year's Blessings**  
**Swiss Legend**  
According to Swiss legend, the  
family is abroad during the  
midnight mass on Christ-

...a bowl of fresh milk  
...upon the dining table  
...member of the house-  
...lays his spoon upon  
...cloth  
...who, returning from  
...finds his spoon has been  
...may anticipate special  
...during the coming year:  
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## Year's Mummies Parade Big Event

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## St. Nick Shied From Attention for His Gifts

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**Boar's Head on Noel**

drawn has largely been substituted for the boar's head for the Christmas and New Year's celebrations.

For this dish the pig's head is soaked to salt water all night, scraped, cleaned and the brain and it removed.

It is boiled until tender enough to remove the bones. The meat is picked from the bones, chopped fine, seasoned with red and black pepper, cloves, mace, nutmeg and salt. It then passes into a brick or loaf mold and served cold.

The custom is believed to have originated with the ancient Romans.

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## Coloring the Flames

Christmas colored flames in the number of different chemicals which may be added to shells, as carrier. Small pieces of shell can be painted with the mixtures of the following colors and with dust. The liquid will give excellent results. Violet, potassium nitrate; red, potassium nitrate and chlorate; yellow, potassium nitrate; orange, calcium chloride; blue, strontium nitrate; purple, copper nitrate; green, barium nitrate; white, calcium chloride.



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Christmas  
Greetings to all  
our friends

MANY are the times through the year, when we'd like to be able to stop and chat in a friendly way with all of you-but busy-ness prevents our taking the time to exchange pleasantries!

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take the opportunity to say in print, to one and all,  
how much we value your patronage and friendship, &  
how much we look forward to being better able to  
serve you. And may your future be as bright as the  
holly in your windows, the flickering flames in your  
fireplace, and the shine in Santa's eye!

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## Observe Holiday In Many Ways

The name January is derived from the two-faced god, Janus. He was originally the god of light and day, however, he gradually became the god of the beginning of things.

The beginning of the year was sacred to Janus and a festival in his honor called Agonia was celebrated. At the beginning of any important undertaking his aid and advice was sought.

He was worshipped as the guardian of trade and shipping and he was the inventor of agriculture.

In addition to secular celebrations, many religious denominations hold special services on New Year's Eve from 9 or 10 to 12 o'clock.

The Methodist Episcopal church was the earliest to adopt this custom



Last day of 1945.

tom and they are called "watch-night services."

In 1944, St. George's Methodist Episcopal church in Philadelphia held its 175th watch night service. The church was founded in 1769 and in 1770 held what has been called the first such services in America. Many other churches are holding such services today.

January 1 is a legal holiday in all of the states and the District of Columbia. It was not until after 1918, however, that the date became a legal holiday in Massachusetts.

With the exception of war time, the date is a legal reason for liberty for the sailor and soldier. Yes, army and navy regulations specifically state this fact.

To quote from the navy regulations: "The first of January—and such other days as may be designated by the President, including the day of national Thanksgiving, shall be designated as holidays on board ships of the navy and at all naval stations."

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### TICKLERS



### MISTLETOE ANCIENT MYTHOLOGY SYMBOL OF DIVINE FAVOR

The custom of kissing under the Mistletoe descends from Scandinavian mythology.

Frigga, goddess of love and beauty—counterpart of Venus—so grieved when her son Balder was struck down by an arrow fashioned out of Mistletoe that her tears became the white berries of the plant. Balder was restored to life by the concerted efforts of the gods and Frigga, grateful for her son's restoration, legendarily bestows a kiss upon those who pass under the Mistletoe.

The Mistletoe was sacred to the Druids of ancient Britain and, in Virgil, it is the Golden Bough which enables Aeneas to descend to the underworld and return safely.

Considering its heathen associations, the Church has never sanctioned the use of the mistletoe as a decoration appropriate to a religious edifice. However, no restrictions have been strong enough to banish the parasitic plant from the home where it continues to be emblematic of peace, friendship and true love—sealed by a kiss.

Some day they will cross a chicken with a centipede and everybody can have a drumstick.

Handball originated in Ireland about a thousand years ago.

### Bean Winner Rules On Twelfth Night

Epiphany, or the Feast of the Kings, is the great homecoming day in France; servant girls would rather lose their positions than miss the family reunion and expect to receive an extra month's pay to wit.

The elaborate dinner features a cake in which a China bean has been hidden; the cake is cut into as many pieces as there are persons in the party. Whoever finds the bean in his or her piece of cake automatically becomes King or Queen of Twelfth Night and proceeds to choose his or her partner. The King and Queen reign over the ensuing festivities—each member of the party being obliged to obey their ridiculous commands.

Clerical employees expect a bonus and tradespeople anticipate Christmas boxes on Epiphany and Christmas trees are set up in stores and public places around which patrons pile heaps of gifts to be distributed in hospitals and among the poor.

**Decorative Shadows**  
To achieve a colorful decorative effect, take a bowl of pine branches and make it "spill" backward toward the wall. Bright light from clear-glass Christmas lamps, gathered in a bowl or concealed from view behind the bowl, creates the lovely shadow patterns pictured. The shadows may be tinted by adding one or more larger lamps of contrasting color.

## Many Relics of St. Nicholas Still Are Enshrined in Southern Italy

To the residents of the town of Bari, Italy, the possession of a saint's body meant much in the early 14th century. That is why all that is mortal of Santa Claus—otherwise St. Nicholas, the bishop of Myra, in Asia Minor—now rests in Bari.

The body was stolen from its original tomb in Myra by Italian sailors, who thought as most Europeans thought back in 1067, that a saint's body brought prosperity and good luck to a town. Even an arm or a toe was rated highly among civic possessions.

However, once buried again in Bari, the saint's body was credited with curing 30 people of distemper and performing other miracles. So Bari became a place of pilgrimage and the legends about St. Nicholas multiplied apace.

We owe our notion of Santa Claus as a secret dispenser of gifts to a

story that St. Nicholas once saved three girls from a life of vice by throwing purses of gold through a window in Patara, thus permitting a poverty-stricken nobleman to give his daughters suitable dowries as custom demanded.

And St. Nicholas is credited with restoring life to three boys who had been slain and dismembered by a wicked innkeeper of Myra—that is why we occasionally see stained glass windows in which the saint is shown beside three lads in a tub.

So the legends multiplied, and especially did they become popular in Holland and Belgium. There, too, the children put their wooden shoes before the fireplace on Christmas Eve, and confidently expected that good behavior of recent weeks would be rewarded. Bad children, of course, found only ashes and whips in their shoes.

### Influenced Customs

The Germans, perhaps more than any other colonists, influenced Christmas customs in the United States, which celebrates Christmas more extensively than any other. Our concept of Santa Claus is wholly from Germany, and the Christmas tree in the home is another custom that came over with German emigrants in the last century.

### Boxing Days

In England, Boxing day—usually December 26—formerly was the day when the old squire distributed Christmas boxes to the help on their estates. It has since become a sort of legalized blackmail, an excuse for idleness, the postman and others who have served you during the year to call and collect a tip.

In an experiment, an adult moth lived 77 days without eating.

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## 'Open House' on New Year's Day

It was customary for the Dutch settlers of New York to hold "open house" on New Year's day and to provide light refreshments, usually centering around a large bowl of punch, for friends calling to pay the compliments of the season.

During the latter part of the 19th century the custom of making short calls on New Year's day was in full swing throughout America. Metropolitan newspapers carried columns of "at home" notices which, including names of social prominence and those making no such pretense, announced hours during which visitors would be received; having duly received, hosts and hostesses closed their receptions to join the procession of callers at other "open houses."

A succession of "open houses" and punch bowls minimized the courtesies accorded hostesses—in many cases—and even resulted in receptions being "crashed" by bibulous young men; these abuses led to the abandonment of the "open house" custom. New Year's calls now being exchanged only by intimates and without any public announcement of intention to receive.

A flag from Dallas was the first Texas flag to fly over conquered Japan.

### She's Learning When to Win



Gerry King, freshman co-ed at Michigan State College, East Lansing, is the only girl in the football officiating class. Here she is in a field play problem with line coach John Kous, right. Bob Malaga looks on.

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& Silent night, holy night...

## Holiday Greetings

On distant shores, our boys, in their own small groups... in their own inimitable way will celebrate Christmas. To each and everyone go our blessings and our profound wishes for a safe and speedy return.

Best Wishes For A Merry Christmas And A Happy, Prosperous New Year

CECIL DODD



We all know the story of Christmas full well, we have all learned the lesson of Christmas, too, from our childhood hours in Sunday school through all the years of Church attendance.

Events of the past few war years have only served to emphasize more strongly that the lesson of brotherly love is one with democracy and freedom.

So upon this Christmas Day, let us look back to the message of the first Christmas—and let us look forward to the experience of all future Christmases spent in peace and security by a universe of people dedicated to the spirit of brotherly love.

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Wishing



# Peace on earth good will to men

Christmas, 1945... of all Christmases...  
looms as the most soul-stirring, the most  
meditative. A friendly day in which to  
dream as well as make merry... a day  
when "Peace on Earth, Good Will to  
Men" will assume a greater meaning...  
a hope so profound that it transcends ut-  
terance.

Give thanks for this land where  
people are free to gather openly and  
pray. Give thanks for the birth of the  
Savior who taught the world that love  
is more powerful than hate, good  
mightier than evil, life stronger than  
death.



Wishing You All A Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year Blessed With Health And  
Contentment

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## Follow These Simple Precautions To Avoid Accidents at Christmas

THE traditionally joyous Christmas holidays are marred for many families by tragic accidents resulting directly from holiday festivities.

By following these simple, logical precautions, you can make sure that none of these mishaps occur in your home.

Many of the Christmas accidents center around the Christmas tree. Most of the strings of lights decorating this season's trees have been in use for three or four years because of wartime conservation measures.



Broken insulation and loose wires at the socket are dangerous. If you have done some amateur wiring, such as joining two strings of lights together, be sure that the joinings are wrapped sufficiently in electric wiring tape to prevent accidents.

Although Christmas candles are appearing more and more rarely on trees, they are still taking a yearly toll of lives and accidents. Open flame lighting is dangerous at its best and must be accompanied by numerous and constant precautions if disaster is to be avoided. It is better to have no lights at all, than to risk costly fires from candles.

Toys, intended to enchant the youngsters at Christmas, can be another potential source of accidents. It is therefore wise to look over your children's toys and see that they are safe to play with. The best-meaning uncle or aunt could have picked out a toy with a rough edge, a sharp corner or a splintery handle.

It is also wise to look over your youngster's toys and pick out the ones that are not suitable for his age. A two-year-old with a tool chest, for instance, can do damage to both himself and his baby brother, if given a free hand with a hammer and saw.

While the litter from Christmas packages is still about, be particularly careful of your smoking. Some hot ashes dropped on thin tissue paper or a carelessly tossed match could result in serious damage. Unless your Christmas tree decorations are guaranteed fireproof, they, too, can be a source of danger.

## 'Good Tidings to All People'

Christmas literally means "Mass of Christ" and is celebrated to honor the Nativity of Jesus. Nevertheless, many Christmas customs have originated in the folklore and traditions of pre-Christian peoples.

The season of the winter solstice—experts have figured that Christ was born during that time of year—has been celebrated as a time of rejoicing since, and even prior to, the recent Christian history.

Peoples of northern Europe celebrated the Festival of Yule, or the sun wheel, when the sun—having been at its lowest point in the heavens—swung its course toward the earth once more. Great fires were kindled in defiance of the Frost King; fires to consume the enemies of the old year, whose ashes imparted fertility to the soil, and brands, kept from year to year, were considered charms against the spirits of evil.

The Roman festival of Saturnalia honored the deity of Saturnus, patron of the agricultural arts. Saturnalia was a season—from December 17 through 25, and merged with the Calends of January—and was characterized by revelry, gift-giving, decorations within the home, entertainments, etc.

The followers of Mithras celebrated the Feast of Sol Invictus, the Druids solemnized the coming of the Mistletoe, the Orthodox Jews commemorate the Festival of Lights, and the Egyptians dedicated their mid-winter festival to Isis and her symbol the palm tree.

As ancient peoples were converted to Christianity, ancient customs assumed place in new traditions honoring the Babe of Bethlehem who grew into the Christ and bequeathed to mankind one of the foremost philosophies of human conduct.

Over 40,000 rooks are held in the United States each year. There are more than 3,500 species of ants.

## Afternoon 5



Neon pink togeron aglitter with embroidery and seed pearls at neck.

## 'Old China' Held Special New Year's Observances

In old China, New Year's was a very important festival: a time for taking stock of oneself, balancing accounts, "turning over a new leaf," visiting and giving parties, etc.

The celebration really began a week before the "first day" when homage was paid to the Kitchen God, whose paper effigy was ceremoniously burnt in order that his spirit might ascend to heaven through the smoke and report the conduct of each member of the family. Taking no chances, the children smeared the god's face with molasses before they burnt him to guarantee the sweetness of his report.

New Year's Eve has always been one of the busiest days of the year among the Chinese. All financial obligations must be met—a debtor on New Year's Day loses "face"; and that is about the worst tragedy that can befall an Oriental. So, the stores and accounting houses are open until midnight and firecrackers pop throughout the community.

He's a lucky man who has a wife and a cigarette lighter, and both working.

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## Cave of the Nativity Now Religious Grotto

The "stable" in which Christ was born does not conform to the modern conception of the word.

In Biblical times, places of shelter were hewn in rocky ledges: Judean travelers, frequently housed in such caves, welcomed joint tenancy with beasts because of the extra warmth provided by animals' bodies.

The birthplace of Jesus was such a cave. Now a grotto beneath Bethlehem's Church of the Nativity, the entire surface has been elaborately ornamented. Pilgrims to the shrine often wish, nonetheless reverently, that its original simplicity might have been preserved in which eternal stars

"Looked down where He lay  
The little Lord Jesus  
Asleep in the hay."

It's a cruel relative who wills a woman a fortune to be paid when she reaches thirty-five.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS:

## Reindeer Often Figure in Northern Myth and Legend

Reindeer figure often in northern myth and folklore. In one version of the legend of Wayland, the smith, Wayland and his two brothers leave Finland for the south on their reindeer-drawn sleighs. The mountain elves try to stop them and Wayland's brothers lash their reindeer to force them by the elves. Angry because the three are deserting their homes, but even more because of the blows given the patient deer, the elves curse the two brothers, singing:

"Because Slagid struck his reindeer  
Because Elgel struck his reindeer  
Our hatred shall follow you."

Wayland they also curse for leaving Finland, but because "he struck not his reindeer" the curse is milder. The two brothers die violently and tragically, but Wayland, after many troubles, wins back the wife he had lost and becomes the "Smith of the Gods."

Falls from scaffolds claim the lives of 30 persons a year, 25 of them in penitentiaries.

Marriage soon cures a man of whistling.

## One-Handed Ex-Soldier Is Grid



Just eight months after losing his left hand in a mine in France, ex-soldier Bobby Ravera plays a sensational fullback for the University of Nevada. He is shown here through four Idaho Marine gridmen on a punt runback.

It takes nearly 5,000 honey-bees to weigh a pound.

If all of us profited by our errors we'd be busy declaring dividends.

Aluminum is the most metal yielded by the ear.

Golf derived its name from Dutch word kolf, meaning

## The First Christmas Tree (A Legend.)

The drooping arms of the tree are stiff with frost. It is no taller than a child. Perhaps a woodman will set it in his parlor. Or a youth shoulder it home. Glass oranges, gay lanterns, coils of brightness lie in some secret box, waiting to deck it.

A polished moon Once voyaged above a forest clasped in frost;

A man, trudging through the night's beauty, Came to one tree no taller than a child

(Brother to this, here in our forest), Felled it, bore it over the rug of snow.

Set it before his fire, watched melting diamonds.

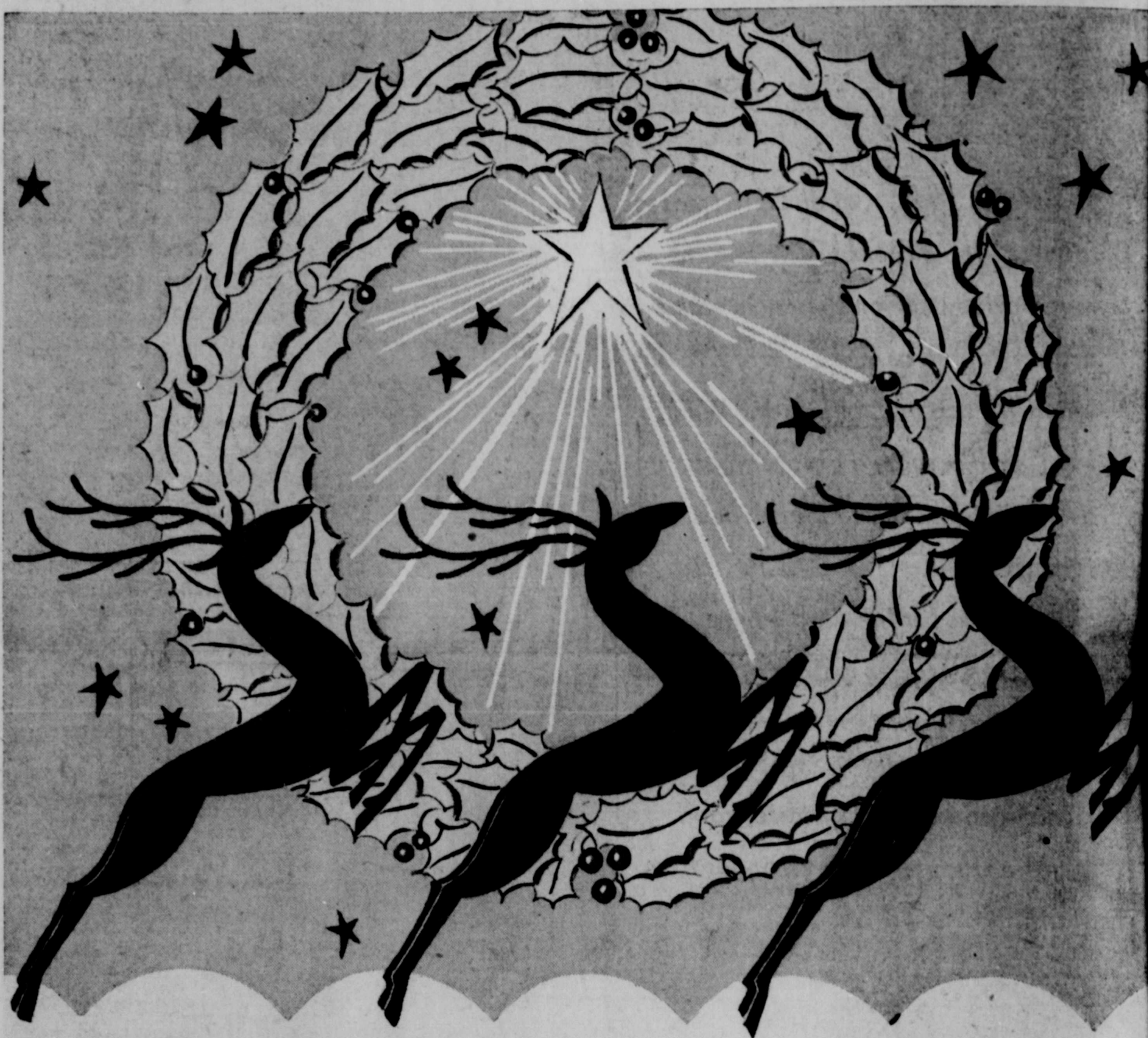
His young boy Stared while they winked and splashed upon the floor, Stared as the branches relaxed and lifted—

"Why did you want it, father?" The man smiled.

He was a rare man, absorbed by trees and children And bold new actions, whether great or small.

Martin Luther, his name.

D. D.



# Merry Christmas

Sometimes in the rush and worry of business—in the constant effort to serve—we lose sight of many of the finer things in life.

As a business organization, we have had our full measure of things for which to be grateful. Although conditions have been more or less unsettled—although we have been through very trying times—many new friends have joined our ranks of customers; many old friends have become closer and better friends through a mutual understanding of one and another's problems.

May we take this opportunity to wish one and all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

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## Season's Greetings

To all our friends and customers



Our Yuletide wishes for our men still overseas are bright as the blessed light of the Christmas Star which shines on all.

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## CELEBRATIONS BANNED NEW ENGLAND

was not always merry in New England. The Puritans were so scornful of the Christmas season that in 1643 in England, the Christmas season was abolished by law. In 1643 in England, the Christmas season was abolished by law. In 1643 in England, the Christmas season was abolished by law.

On December 23, 1659, the Puritans of New England, who had abolished the Christmas season, were rebuked by the king. The king, Charles II, had just arrived in England and he had heard of the Puritans' actions. He was angry and he wrote a letter to the Puritans, telling them that they were wrong and that they should celebrate Christmas.

But the Puritans did not listen to the king. They continued to celebrate Christmas, and they were rebuked again. This time, the king wrote a letter to the Puritans, telling them that they were wrong and that they should celebrate Christmas. But the Puritans did not listen to the king.

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## Christmas Card Is Century Old

The centennial of the Christmas card is being observed this year. It was in 1845—just 100 years ago—that the first Christmas card was designed and distributed.



The custom established by Dobson found numerous devotees. In 1846, an English nobleman, Sir Henry Cole, commissioned an artist, John Calcott Horsley, to design a Christmas card for him.

According to one story, Sir Henry Cole had received such a large number of holiday letters that he could not find time to answer them all. As a means of solving this problem, he called in Horsley and asked him to design an appropriate card.

Horsley's first Christmas card depicted a Victorian English family enjoying the holiday. Except for the profusion of detail, the card is like many of the modern greetings. The traditional "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" was inscribed in the card, with blank spaces for filling in the name of the sender and the recipient.

From this beginning a century ago, the custom of sending Christmas cards has spread across the ocean to the United States where it has become a traditional part of the holiday observance.

The only thing harder than paying bills is collecting them.

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## "WAKE UP, AMERICA!"

What is Democracy?

As debated by

Dr. Maynard C. Krueger  
Professor of Economics, University of Chicago; National Chairman of the Socialist Party

Dr. William Starr Myers  
Emeritus Professor of Politics, Princeton University

**DR. KRUEGER OPENS:** Democracy is a very radical doctrine. It is now praised by all, including those who are really against it. It is the name men give to their inspiration to participate increasingly in decision-making. Democracy is subversive—it is dynamic—it must grow to live—when it grows it always repudiates somebody's time-honored privilege. Democracy makes servants insubordinate to masters—it repudiates status distinctions—it insists men shall be treated as equal because they are men. Politically, democracy means consent of the governed, wide electorate, equal franchise, equal access to the means of influencing policy. Socially, it means equal educational opportunity, no race discriminations, no inheritance of prestige, position or power. Economically, democracy means equal voice in economic decision-making for all those substantially affected by the decision. Democracy is not nationalism or imperialism or capitalism. It excludes dictatorship of the minority and tyranny of the majority. It validates majority rules by guaranteeing minority rights. Democracy can be defended where we have it only by extending it where we do not. Those who get the short end of social and economic values may use political democracy to eliminate privilege or the privileged may try to abolish the political democracy which is dangerous. To privilege the former is the Socialist road—the extension of democracy. The latter is the Fascist road—the abandonment of democracy. Democracy is a dangerous doctrine for conservatives.

**DR. MYERS CHALLENGES:** There are two fundamental conceptions of democracy: (1) "I am as good as you are"—and I proceed to show it. (2) "This is the conception of our newly arrived citizens from parts of the world under authoritarian governments." (2) "You are as good as I am"—and I must restrain myself and give you a square deal. The first is philosophic anarchy masquerading as democracy—finally degenerating into some form of dictatorship—political or economic. The latter is the American concept which is summed up in cooperation from a sense of individual responsibility. It seems Prof. Krueger adheres to the first—not the one that made America great.

**DR. KRUEGER REPLIES:** Democracy is neither European nor American. It is human. It asserts that all men shall be equal in power over one another. If this assertion is made most vigorously by the poor and the weak, it is because the rich and the powerful have left it to them to assert it. It would be nice if nobody said to "demand" democratic rights. But when whites or landlords or males or employers or the British monopolize power, there is slow but sure discontent in Indians, factory workers, women, sharecroppers or Negroes. This discontent is our hope.

**DR. MYERS OPENS:** Communism, Socialism and Fascism are all, from the political standpoint, alike in being totalitarian dictatorships. From the economic standpoint, they may be simplified to say that Communism undertakes to abolish private property, at the discretion of the community (or state); Socialism would allow personal property, but place the ownership of the means of production and distribution of wealth (factories, transportation, communication, utilities, banks, etc.) in the hands of the state or guild; Fascism allows private property of all kinds, but its use must be at the unlimited discretion of the state. Democracy, both political and economic, is the antithesis of all three. Politically, it is cooperation from inward impulse; economically, it is summed up in free enterprise. The totalitarian systems are all predicated upon outward direction. The basis of democracy is the result of group loyalty or community feeling, expressed through public opinion which, as A. Lawrence Lowell pointed out, must be both public, that is, widespread, and opinion—the result of judgment, either original or derived from someone else. It is not mob psychology but what Lincoln designated as the sober second sense of the people. Free enterprise, in the words of W. O. Watta, is "freedom for every individual to exert his utmost capacity in producing those commodities and services which he thinks other people want" and, we may add, which do not harm other individuals, or interfere with their rights.

**DR. KRUEGER CHALLENGES:** The identification of democracy with private property and so-called free enterprise is a favorite semantic trick of conservatives who are for a little democracy but not too much. Let us not confuse issues by lumping Socialism with Communism and Fascism. Socialism is neither totalitarian nor dictatorship. Socialism must be democratic, but democracy may be either capitalist or Socialist. Capitalist democracy becomes a self-interest of the few, when it is dominated by finance and monopoly. What if the sober second sense of the people says that cooperatives and public corporations are better than powerful private profit corporations and recurrent unemployment?

**DR. MYERS REPLIES:** Tocqueville said a fact is most difficult to understand. It is a fact Socialists, like Communists and Fascists, depend upon authority (governmental or guild) to put their program into effect and keep it going. These reactionaries, masquerading as "Liberals", are reverting to the authoritarian ideals of the Stuart Kings. They were overthrown by those who understood individual rights are inborn and "inalienable." You can't have freedom and regimentation. Socialism cannot succeed without regimentation. Democracy helps people help themselves by social (not socialist) legislation. Socialism would help people in spite of themselves, and thus paternalize and pauperize them. This is un-American and the war years refute that for which Socialism, Communism and Fascism stand.

**Trying Not to Discriminate**  
"Are you going to have a Christmas tree at your home?"  
"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum.  
"Are you going to decorate it with many gifts?"  
"Yes, I'm going to show that an American citizen can be just as generous toward his own family as he is expected to be to nations abroad."

**Meaning of December**  
December is derived from "decem," meaning ten. In the old Roman calendar the year began in March and December was the tenth month.

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## Greetings for a Happy Holiday

When we wish you a Merry American Christmas we are only expressing a wish that is uppermost in our thoughts at this time. It is our sincere hope that you will spend an enjoyable Yuletide this year and for many more years to come.

## Sinclair Service Station

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## MODERN INDUSTRY SERVES THE SPIRIT OF OUR CHRISTMAS

In a busy world, the Christmas card has assumed a definite place among Christmas customs and tradition—serving the spirit of friendship, echoing the promise of peace and good will.



Reputedly, the first Christmas card, properly so-called, was dispatched in 1845 when W. C. Dobson, one of Queen Victoria's favorite painters, sent lithographed scenes inscribed with greetings to his many friends during the Christmas season.

In 1846, John Calcott Horsley, Royal Academician, designed a card for Sir Henry Cole. Thus the custom of sending Christmas cards seems to have been inaugurated—although, even as far back as Queen Anne's reign, it was customary for children to write Christmas pieces. Such "Christmas pieces" were specimens of handwriting with elaborately engraved borders designed to represent some current event or subject studied by the children during the year, and were sold in shops and bazaars until about 1840.

Christmas cards were introduced into the United States during the 1870s by Marcus Ward and Company of London and for a short while the English firm enjoyed a monopoly of the market.

The name of Louis Prang is outstanding in the history and development of the modern Christmas card industry. Mr. Prang, an exile from Germany following the revolution of 1848, introduced the art idea into American public schools via the Prang method of education. In 1874, Prang invaded the Christmas card field. Prizes were offered for the best designs and perfected lithographic processes.

Nowadays servants are neither black or white. They're green.

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## 'Boxing Day' Observance Has Biblical Background

"Boxing day" is in reality St. Stephen's day and is observed in England and other Old World countries in commemoration of the biblical martyr in recognition of his having been the first to seal with his blood the testimony of fidelity to his Lord. The year in which he was stoned to death, as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles, is supposed to have been 33 A. D. Due to the custom, established many years ago, of distributing Christmas boxes or gifts of money to employees and public servants, such as postmen, lamp-lighters, and others, on the day after Christmas, it became popularly known as "Boxing day," and observed as a general holiday by the common people.

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## FLIGHT SCHOLARSHIP

KANSAS CITY—Eleven boys have completed eight hours of flying time which they won as top-ranking students in the public high school aeronautical courses here. A similar number of flight scholarships will be awarded during the present school year.

Send a Birthday Card from the Stewart Printing Co.



## Let's Make it an Old Fashioned CHRISTMAS

Bring out all the tinsel and tree trimmings! Sing out the gayest of Carols! Have Christmas in your heart and share it with everyone you know!

## DRAGOUN'S HELPY-SELFY LAUNDRY

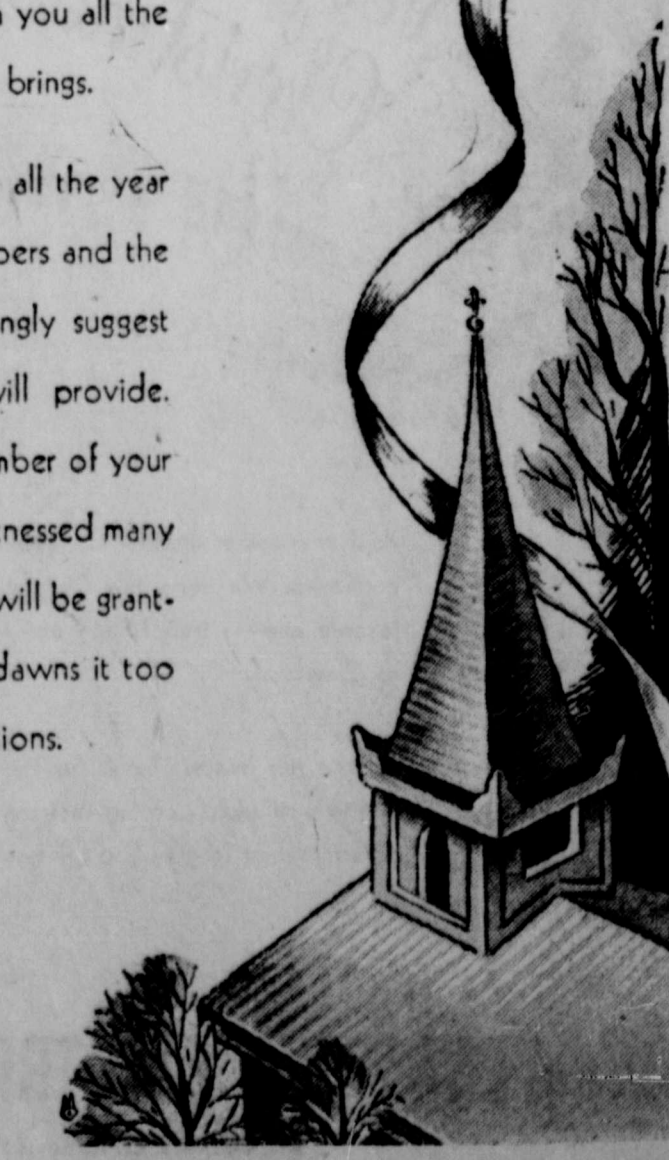


THE spirit of Christmas is in our hearts, as our greeting comes to say "Happy Yuletide" to one and all! We wish we could personally come right inside your home, and share with you all the the good things this particular holiday brings.

There is no more gladtime in all the year than this—when the rustling of gay papers and the brightness of pretty ribbons tantalizingly suggest the thrill each package's contents will provide. We hope that from the youngest member of your household—to the eldest who have witnessed many a Christmas—that every season's wish will be granted. And that when the New Year dawns it too will bring fulfillment of all your aspirations.

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**Soap Flakes May Be Used As Snow on Christmas Tree**

The final step in trimming the Christmas tree is coating it with fluffy snow. There are a number of ways of doing this, but a simple and popular one is using ordinary soap flakes.

Any homemaker can produce all the snow she wants in a short time and it won't melt, either, if it is proper.

To make it. Use three cups of soap flakes to one cup of warm water. Beat in an electric beater or very vigorously with a hand beater, until it is very smooth and fluffy. Then spread it immediately over the branches of the tree, scattering it with the hands. If you want the snow to sparkle, quickly spread on some artificial glistening snow. Use as much soap snow as you like.

## Office or Lodge Decorated With Little Effort

Have you been chosen to arrange your office or lodge Christmas party this year?

Don't look at it as a chore, or something that can be done in the last few days before the actual holiday. Make preparations for it ahead of time—and you will see how much more enjoyment everyone will get out of it.

Christmas is the season for parties when people spend much of their time indoors either entertaining or being entertained. It is during this season that everyone is looking for new ideas for decorating homes, offices, recreation centers or gathering places.

Christmas greens are the favorite decoration and most univer-



sally used in all countries. In America, the pines, holly and mistletoe are displayed in wreaths or hung about the room to give a holiday atmosphere.

Other natural materials may be added, such as pine cones, shells, seed pods, ground pine or fruits. If color is to be added, paint the gourds or pine cones with poster paints and fasten them on the pine boughs with wire or string. Pine cones painted in white and edged with red or blue are especially striking when hung against a dark green background.

Three dimensional posters make effective decorations, and are easily made from cloth, stiff paper or other material. This type of decoration is particularly effective made up in the traditional Christmas scenes such as the bringing in the Yule log, Nativity scenes, or caroling.

Christmas cards are a good source to go to for suggestions if you need a design for a poster or bulletin board as a central piece in your scheme of decoration.

Greeting Cards at Herald office!

## 'Educational' Toys Will Teach as They Entertain



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TWO-FOUR



FOUR-SIX



SIX-TEN

The newest toys are designed to teach your child how to use his hands, his eyes and his intelligence. Just as much fun to play with as any of the beloved objects we treasure as children, these sturdy new toys teach as well as entertain. The toys illustrated above, taken from a group on display at the Merchandise Mart in Chicago, show the kinds of toys recommended for various age groups.

## Winter Solstice Period of Many Ancient Rituals

Christmas is celebrated in honor of the Saviour's nativity, and while there are no records to prove that December 25th is the precise date, historians, astronomers, and research authorities have substantiated the fact that the event must have occurred during the time of the Winter Solstice.

The Winter Solstice, when the sun swings toward the earth once more, has been celebrated as a festival of some sort by the various peoples of the earth since, and even prior to, the recording of history.

**Symbolic Palm Tree.** In ancient Egypt, the palm tree, known to put forth one shoot each month, completed its cycle of twelve during this period and was symbolic of the year's fruitful harvests and accomplishments.

The mystic rites of the Druids centered around the cutting of the mistletoe whose branches, when cut and distributed by the Arch-Druid, traditionally bestowed blessings of nature and divine favor upon the receiver.

In the Scandinavian countries, fires were kindled in defiance of the Frost King, and families, gathered about the warmth, spent the long evenings telling weird tales involving Valkyrie and Wodensday—as well as anticipating to what distant ports their ships would sail when no longer ice-bound. The time was also sacred to Thor, and the Yule logs, great chunks of the Thunder Oak, blazed upon the hearths amid feasting and fellowship.

**Honoring Saturnus.** Two Roman holidays—Brumalia and Juvenalia—were combined into one great festival in honor of Saturnus—Saturnalia. It was a period of general celebration lasting from what would correspond to our December 18th on through the Calends of January. Processions and gift-giving were in order, the courts were adjourned and no criminals were convicted, while convention was abandoned, equality reigning among slaves and free men.

The earliest Christians solemnized the Mass of Christ, whence the word "Christmas," during Saturnalia, many of the faithful suffering persecution and martyrdom as a result. After Constantine recognized Christianity in the Fourth century, the celebration of Christmas became an established custom.

Indeed, Christmas is celebrated in honor of the Babe born in Bethlehem. And the Lord, in His Wisdom, understands that the traditions preserved from ancient customs and peoples are in keeping with the angelic enunciation of His Birth: "Fear not; for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people."

Enough eggs are being produced for every person in the nation to eat between 250 and 400 this year.

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## Xmas, Friends Give Couple a New Beginning

Throughout the year many kind, unselfish persons help to lighten the burdens of life for those less fortunate than themselves. But at Christmas as the spirit of the Christ child descends upon a troubled world, these acts seem more common and those suffering from poverty and the sometimes unkind acts of fate are often given new hope through the selflessness of others.

In a snug little three-room home on ten acres near Chicago, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. John Hoogewoning, truck farmers, and two of their children were suddenly brought face to face with the deepest meaning of Christmas on that very day.

One midnight of the previous month fire swept through their farm home. Their eight children sleeping upstairs were trapped. John Hoogewoning ran up over the blazing stairs but could rescue only his oldest daughter, Gertrude, 17, and youngest son, Carl, 3. The others died in the smoke and flames which reduced the home to a pile of ashes. Hoogewoning was rushed to the hospital suffering severe burns. Shortly afterwards, Mrs. Hoogewoning lost the child she was expecting in a few months—the last bitter action in a series of tragedies.

**A Committee Is Established.** The Hoogewonings were not alone. They were surrounded by real Americans who would probably have helped them at any time. But then it was the Christmas season and the spirit of giving was at its greatest intensity. A committee was established. Within a month it had collected \$3,000.

On Christmas day a group of neighbors took Mr. and Mrs. Hoogewoning and their two remaining children to a new home on a ten acre plot of land. The property included a broader house and 165 laying hens. A jolly Santa Claus presented the couple with a deed to the property and the neighbors left the Hoogewonings with the Christmas present of a new home—a new start.

That's how one group of neighbors celebrated the birth of the Prince Of Peace who said: "It is more blessed to give than receive."

## METROPOLITAN AIR TEST

ST. LOUIS—The clinic demonstration of airport operation to be conducted here next spring will provide answers to many of the questions that city officials throughout the country have been asking since the suggestion of airports in congested areas was first made. The site to be used in Forest Park, is within 10 minutes of the city hall and the principal business section.

People who live in today's apartment houses have little room to complain.

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# Greeting

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## Yuletide Season

The time of the year when bells ring out the gladsome tidings in our hearts—the time of the year when the Star a-top the Christmas tree shines brightly, reflecting in its brilliance the memory of good things in the past—better things to come. Our sincerest wish for the best to all of you on Christmas Day.

### Daley Glass Shop



And now comes another Christmas to be added to your store of memories. We hope this Christmas of 1945 will be a very enjoyable one—a truly happy one—fulfilling all the fine traditions of Christmas.

Accept our hearty thanks for the pleasant business associations of the past year. Looking forward to 1946, we pledge anew our determination to give you the best in value and service possible.

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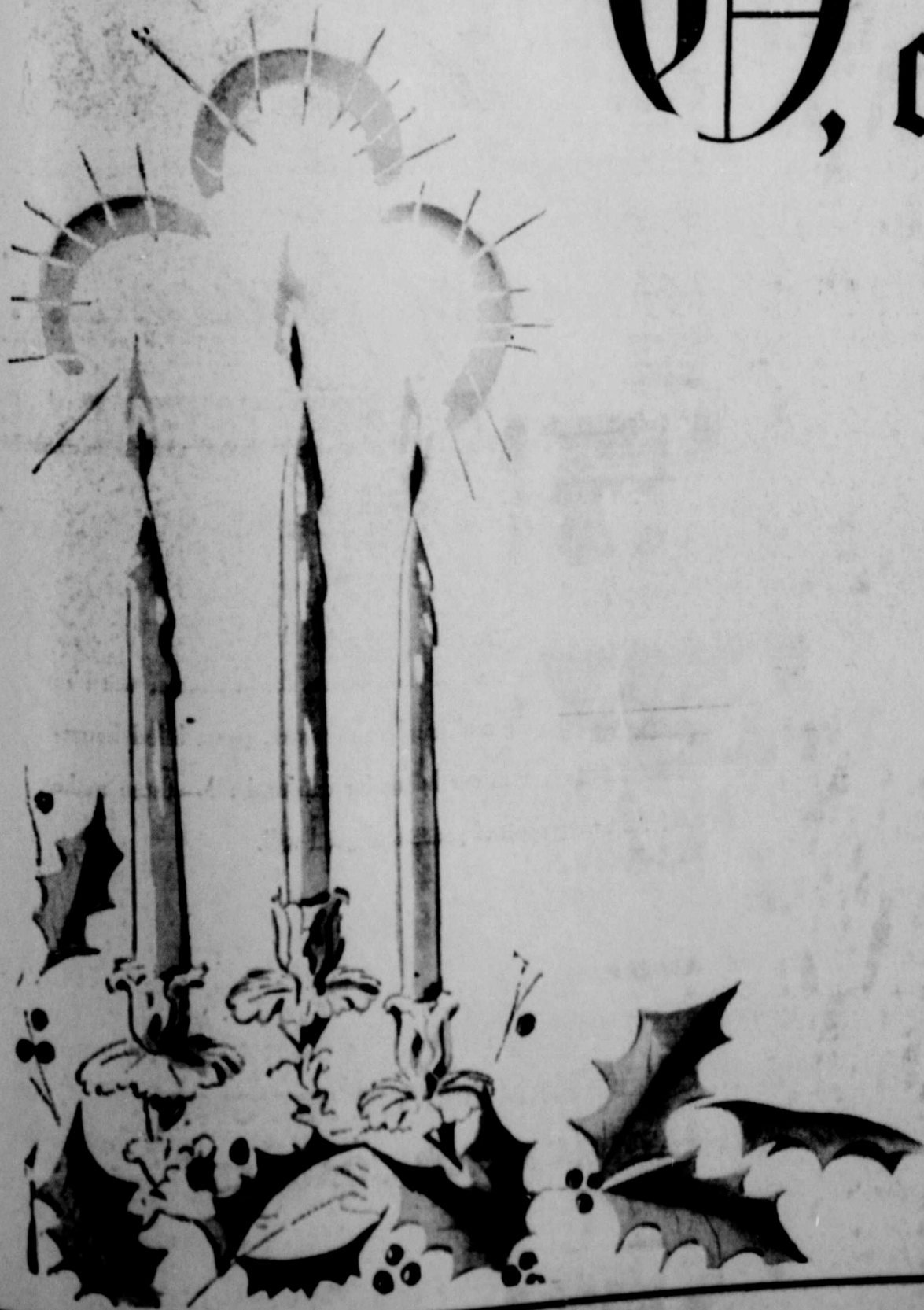


**O**, come all ye faithful,  
joyful and triumphant...

*Hear the voices of the choir sweet in songs praising His name.  
Sing out your own devotion and joy in the day on which He was  
born. For Christmas sheds its brightness over all the land and  
warms the hearts of all God's children. The spirit of brother-  
hood dwells with us now, and will be our inspiration to live in  
peaceful happiness in future years.*

*As we send best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year all, our  
prayers follow our loved ones away from home*

Churches of Perryton





### SMALL AIR LINES GAIN

WASHINGTON—In the past seven years the smaller airlines, which in general serve smaller cities than do the Big Four, (the four largest airlines) have gained more than two and one half times as much mileage as have the Big Four. A total of 16,999 miles of new routes have been certificated to 12 of the smaller airlines compared with 6,749 miles for the Big Four. Today the smaller airlines are operating over 30,617 miles of routes compared with 29,778 miles operated over by the Big Four.

Send a Birthday Card from the Stewart Printing Co.

### American Mistletoe Not That Specie of European History or Its Legend

The mistletoe of history and legend is a different specie than our American natives, and is found in Europe.

The specie found in the South Atlantic states is called Phoradendron (Greek word meaning "tree thief") flavescens. It is found most often on the following trees: tupelo, red maple, poplar, willow, cypress, juniper, apple, locust and linden trees. Occasionally, but not often, it occurs on oaks.

The plant in its wild state is gathered by collectors for sale during the Christmas holidays.

### What Was Legend of Star in the East?

"The New Testament does not guide us in attempting to identify the Christmas star," Dr. Dinsmore Alter, director of the Griffith observatory, Los Angeles, Calif., states.

"We know what the heavens appeared like 2,000 years ago and there is only one reasonable theory for the announcement of the Wise Men, who said, in Matthew 2:2:

"Where is He that is born King of the Jews, for we have seen His star in the east and are come to worship Him?"

"In 6 B. C., there was a group of three planets—Jupiter, Saturn and Mars—which might have provided the ancients with their long-awaited sign of the Nativity.

"One year earlier—7 B. C.—Jupiter, Saturn and Venus were similarly grouped.

"What makes the astronomer pause at accepting this theory is the passage in Matthew which reads, 'The star went before them.' That, many scientists assume, must have been a psychological rather than an actual visual impression."

### Three Silver Poplars

By LILLIAN P. LEONARD  
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WNU Service.

SHE had always loved that strip of blue sky from the high window. Tired eyes sought it for a brief rest during work hours. But now she saw something else—the tops of three silver poplars. She knew they were not there, but still she saw them.

Longer pauses came in her work as she gazed at them—yet there were no three poplars swaying in the wind against the blue.

"I can't help it, Molly, they haunt me! I've simply got to go down to the old place."

"For goodness sake, Julie, what is there to go to? Everyone gone, and the old house burned flat years ago, and no one knows who owns the land."

"The three poplars are there. They won't feed or shelter you!" "I wonder!"

A week later Julie came in after work, dumped an armful of bundles on the table, threw her hat on a chair, slumped down on the couch and glowered from under straight black brows.

"Molly, you'll have to get Mrs. Bent to come in with you. I've handed in my resignation at the office. They wouldn't accept it, but told me to take a vacation, so I'm packing up and leaving at once."

"Julie, for goodness sake! Oh, but you'll come back soon. We've been so happy together—as happy as two relics can be. You've joked about not coming back, haven't you?"

"No, I'm deeply in earnest, dear. I have told you I'm haunted and dragged, and I'm giving in."

"But why don't you take a trip there? Most likely that's all that is needed to break the 'haunt's' neck, and you will be satisfied to come back with your mind at rest."

"I've been thinking it over for weeks, and have firmly made up my mind. I am tired and restless, and must have a change. You have your brother's little ones to love and do for, bless them! I have no kin—no one!"

No, Julie mused, they had never been her friends; they never gave her sympathy or help, yet she loved them, always had loved them—those three tall poplars. And later, when her father brought the new young wife home, how they writhed and twisted and moaned!

All that had happened 15 years ago. And seven years ago, while in South America in the capacity of private secretary to the head of the firm, the news had come to her of her father's death and the burning of the house. She had been detained a year longer and then duties and the sad uselessness of revisiting the old place had kept her from ever returning.

It was a bright day in early June. The air had a crystalline clarity blowing in fresh and sweet across the deep blue of the outer bay. Julie put up at the one small hostelry the town boasted and set out on foot for the site of the old home, which lay about a mile away near the water's edge.

Topping a sand dune she saw the three poplars burst into view. They were taller than she had thought they would have grown, quite overshadowing the tiny shack partly buried in sand.

To the door came a woman with unkempt hair and soiled dress, shading her eyes and gazing at the unusual sight of a woman coming that way. A little girl with pale corn colored hair peeked from behind the woman. Julie quickened her steps, as she recognized her father's wife—but the child?

"Julie Manton!" Tears flowed down the woman's face as she hurried forward to meet her visitor; and, "Sarah!" Surprise and hurt blended in Julie's voice. "And the little girl?" she gasped, indicating the child who was trying to locate the root of her tongue with one dirty but dimpled finger, through a rosebud mouth which smiled a shy but eager welcome.

"Your father's and mine." "No one ever told me!" seeing an expression flit over Sarah's face: "But what else could I have done? My little darling sister! You will let her be my sister, my own sister, won't you, Sarah?"

"Yes, Julie. You have no one, and neither have I. I've wanted her to have a chance, but what could I do? Buried in this sand hole with but the pittance of your father's pension and then a long illness gripped me and took everything. Julie, you will take care of her, won't you? I—I won't bother you long."

"Oh, pshaw, Sarah! All you need is a lot of love and our jolly crowd. A few movies and concerts tucked into your cranium and you'll not know yourself. Can you stick it out for another week? I am taking a vacation. Come here, sister's lamb, and hug your relation. Tight, now!"

"Yes, long distance calling—Mollie? Yes, it's Julie. Of course I am down here. Sounds ripping to hear 'for goodness sake!' Listen! Let me do the talking. Don't get Mrs. Bent, but do go after that vacant flat across the way. We've got to have more room. I'll tell you later. Coming back next Tuesday with my family—yes—three of us—just like the three poplars. Bye!"

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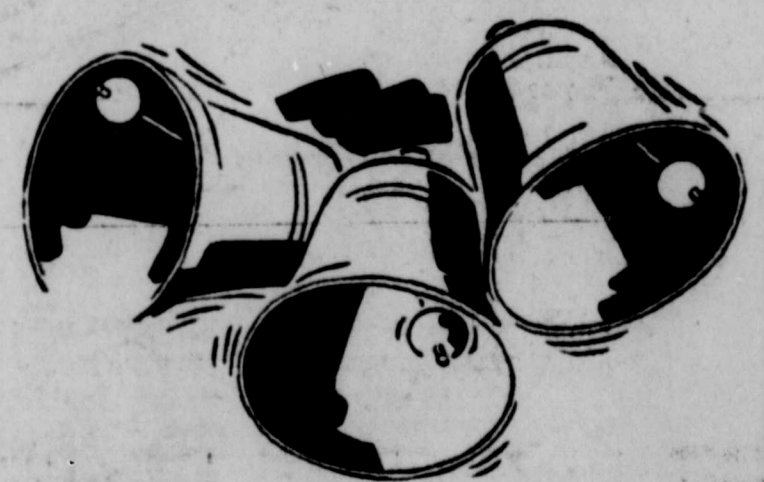
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Betcha the only man who likes to hear alarm clocks go off is the night watchman.

The British maintained a Fifth Training School at Terrill, Texas, for four years.

## Homemade Cards Always Welcomed

Why not try making some of your own Christmas cards this year? Besides being lots of fun, testing your ingenuity and saving money, it will provide your friends and relatives with a really personal token of your regard.

To members of your immediate family in service, to uncles, cousins and aunts still wearing Uncle Sam's uniform, such home-contrived Christmas cards will be particularly appreciated. No special artistic talents are required for the task. Some



Old fashioned cards useful. A lot of handwork, even though it be somewhat crude, will fill the bill.

There are numerous ways to develop a novel card. Snapshots of the home are always interesting—perhaps the front door, the yard, a winter scene framing the house. Views of the interior—the fireplace, a living-room nook or some other spot dear to the family can likewise be used. Such snapshots can be mounted on a good grade of stiff paper with your personal greetings either printed by hand or written. The use of an ink of contrasting color from the paper will help illuminate the card.

Or better still, use a photograph of the new baby in the family as the subject of your card. This will be especially attractive to overseas relatives who have not yet seen the new arrival. Pictures of pets, too, are effective. The new puppy, the recently born kitten or the faithful collie will all make subjects that will kindle a lively personal interest in the heart of the recipient.

Lots of fun and variety will result if every member of the family from the youngsters to the adults tries his or her hand at designing a personal Christmas card. Collaborations, too, with several of the family contributing ideas, are worth while. If any member of the family has sketching ability, this can be turned to good account in reproducing family scenes and characters that will lend novel interest to a card. Family hobbies, occupations or recreations can thus be represented.

## Veterans' SERVICE BUREAU

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This newspaper, through special arrangement with the Washington Bureau of Western Newspaper Union at 1616 Eye Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., is able to bring readers this weekly column on problems of the veteran and serviceman and his family. Questions may be addressed to the above Bureau and they will be answered in a subsequent column. No replies can be made direct by mail, but only in the column which will appear in this newspaper regularly.

### New Discharge Plan

The army has followed the lead of navy in ruling, as of November 10, that any G.I. with three children under 18 years of age is eligible for discharge, despite age or length of service.

At the same time the army lowered total points for discharge eligibility to 35. These two new rulings answer many questions which have come into the office of the Veterans' Service Bureau editor in Washington during the past week from throughout the nation.

In the meantime, the Veterans' administration has announced a streamline procedure in its finance office with the appointment of Frank W. Kelsey as assistant administrator in charge of the Veterans' multi-billion dollar finance service. At the present time, according to Veterans' headquarters, the treasury department is issuing checks at the rate of \$28,000,000 per year upon authority of vouchers certified by the Veterans' administration finance service. This branch of the administration service is the watchdog and clearing house for the billions of dollars handled, representing disbursements for government life insurance, pensions and other benefits provided veterans and their dependents.

### Questions and Answers

**Q.** I'm the widow of a World War I veteran and am getting a pension of only \$30 per month. Why is it a widow of a World War II veteran receives \$50 monthly pension? Mrs. W. K., Charlottesville, Va.

**A.** All widows of both World War I and II get pensions of \$50 per month if their husbands were killed in action or died while in service. If the veteran died after he was discharged, the pension is \$30 per month.

**Q.** My son is in a navy hospital in Washington, D. C., with a broken knee, suffered when he was thrown from an automobile while on a 72-hour leave. Will he be able to get a pension if he was on leave at the time of the mishap? After he is discharged he wants to enter an undertaking school. Does that require a high school education? Mrs. F., Cumberland, Md.

**A.** The Veterans' administration says that merely because a man is on leave at the time of an injury does not mean that he is barred from obtaining disability payments. The navy will have to determine if the injury was received in the line of duty which may or may not be while on leave. If the injury was received through no misconduct of the veteran, the chances are he will be entitled to disability pension. The undertaking profession is counted as vocational training and the veteran does not necessarily have to be a high school graduate.

**Q.** I will be discharged from the army soon. I would like to know the names and locations of some schools that teach refrigeration and air conditioning, practical experience along with the studies. W. W. S., Washington, N. J.

**A.** The Veterans' administration advises that you consult an army counsellor at a separation center or write directly to your nearest Veterans' administration regional office.

**Q.**—I want to know if a man who has been court-martialed has a chance to get out if he has three little children. My allotment has stopped and has been for some time. Mrs. N. M. S., Blairsville, Ga.

**A.** The war department says it would depend upon the nature of your husband's offense whether he can be released or not. Suggest that you write the Judge Advocate General, War department, Washington, D. C., and give all details concerning your husband.

**Q.** My son made an allotment to me of \$15 per month the first year, which I received. The three and a half years he has spent overseas I have not received it. It was taken out of his pay up to the month of his discharge. Where shall I write in regard to collecting the amount due? T. G. W., Milwaukee, Wis.

**A.** Write to the Office of Dependency Benefits, War department, Newark, N. J.

**Q.** How many points does a marine need to be discharged? Does a marine need the same points as the navy or the army? Mrs. J. F., Sturgeon Lake, Minn.

**A.** As of Nov. 10 a marine needs 50 points for discharge.

**Q.** My husband was killed in action in Italy, June 12, 1944, and I have never received any information as to how he was killed. Is it possible to obtain this information? Wife, M. E. H., Kosciusko, Miss.

**A.** Write to the Casualty branch of the Adjutant General's office, War department, Washington, D. C.

Chrysanthemums will grow in any soil that grows vegetables. They should be planted in the spring.

This year's cranberry supply is about double last year's.

## Wise Men Came From the East

Church tradition, presumably considering the Biblical mention of three specific gifts as presented to the infant Jesus by the Wise Men, has identified the Magi as Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar.

There could have been more than three; legend reports that there were 12 Wise Men and that their journey to Bethlehem had been anticipated for generations.

Twelve learned men who lived in a far Eastern land appointed themselves to watch for the star of brightness which they believed would announce the birth of the savior. Each year after the crops were harvested, the patriarchs ascended to a cavernous retreat upon the plateau of a high mountain to pray and praise God in silence for three days while they watched for the star.

This went on for generations; when one of the patriarchs died, his son or kinsman would take his place. Finally the star appeared, descending upon the mountain and having within itself the form of a child beneath the similitude of a cross.

The sign spoke to them and commanded them to go to Judea. The journey to Bethlehem is said to have necessitated two years of pressing travel and, though in their haste they provided no food for themselves, neither food nor drink failed them on their vessels.

## Mummer's Parade Descendant From Early U. S. History

On New Year's Eve 1830 more than 300,000 persons watched the Mummer's parade in Philadelphia. There were 12,000 in the line of march down Bond street and the parade lasted from early evening until the glamour and good-humored burlesque antics of the spectacle were far cries from what the uninitiated would expect to see in the staid Quaker City; nevertheless, the idea is descendant from Colonial days.

The earliest settlers along the Delaware river in the vicinity of present day Philadelphia were English and Swedes. The Mummer play "St. George and the Dragon" was traditional to the English celebration of New Year's; the Swedes were given to informal masquerades. It is not clear just when or how the Mummer play and the custom of masquerading joined forces; but after the Revolution, General Washington replaced St. George as the central figure of the festivities.

The whole thing was spontaneous and unorganized until, in 1896, it was sponsored by the Silver Crown New Year's association. In 1901 the Mummer's Parade was recognized by the municipal administration of Philadelphia and officials and representative citizenry began turning out to participate in and witness the parade.

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**Resolve**  
The attitude of this woman is ample proof that she is making a resolution to keep. Perhaps she needs a little more help to her mother and she is going to keep it.

### Wax Candle Spots Are Easy to Remove

Dripping candle wax is especially prevalent during the holiday season but a few simple household remedies can be used to clean it up.

Wax spots on rugs can usually be removed successfully by first scraping off as much wax as possible with a dull knife and then sponging with carbon tetrachloride.

When you scrape, be careful not to injure the rug. If the candle was colored and a stain remains, try sponging lightly with a liquid made of two parts of water and one part of denatured (rubbing) alcohol.

As a precaution against fading, test the mixture first on an inconspicuous part of the rug.

Wax that has run down from candleholders onto the linen can be removed by the same method of first scraping and then sponging with carbon tetrachloride.

Wax spots on the mantel will come off if rubbed vigorously with a cloth.

The two-bit cigar now takes five-cents worth of matches to keep it lit.

It seems that nothing can keep a first-class man down, or lift a second-class man up.

### ... And a Doll



Not even Santa Claus, who has heard all the stories, could resist the blandishments of this young charmer. If she doesn't get her way, Santa's reputation for generosity is pretty well exploded.

## Spirit of Hope Symbolizes All New Year Rites

The observation of New Year's is universal, and although the precise date of its solemnization may vary among different races and creeds, the spirit of hospitality and hopefulness prevails traditionally.

Prior to China's adoption of the Gregorian calendar, the Chinese New Year was celebrated during the time of the first moon—around the first of February.

Traditionally, all debts must be paid by midnight on New Year's Eve or "face" is lost on New Year's Day. In the old days, the celebration began a week prior to the Eve when homage was paid to the Kitchen God and climaxed on the "fifteenth day of the First Moon" by "Teng Chieh," the Feast of Lanterns. The progression of festivities was accompanied by good conduct among young and old, parties and exchanges of greeting cards.

**Hindus Celebrate in April.**  
The Hindus use a lunar calendar and solemnize their New Year toward the last of April. Many of the devout make pilgrimages to the Ganges and other holy streams for the purpose of washing away their sins, others offer propitiatory gifts to the gods in local temples, while feasting, exchanges of calls and greeting cards prevail.

**Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year,** is one of the highest of Orthodox holy days. Also known as the Feast of Trumpets, the sounding of a ram's horn, the Shofar, calls the faithful to worship, reminding them of God's providence in caring for His people and rededicating them to His services. Rosh Hashana commemorates the Day of Creation and special prayers are offered in the synagogues for the restoration of Zion. In the home, the head of the house prays in behalf of his family over an apple or round loaf of bread which has been dipped in honey; the roundness thereof symbolizing the desire for a smooth and prosperous New Year.

**January 'Two-Faced.'**  
The Gregorian month of January is the namesake of Janus, the two-faced Roman god accredited with the ability to look backward and forward simultaneously. New York city, on New Year's Eve, reflects the gaily, toasting and meditation traditional to New Year's celebrations around the world.

The streets, particularly Broadway, are thronged with thousands of festival-minded persons, the hotels, etc., are crowded with parties, and many gather in churches to welcome the New Year in prayer. As the clocks strike twelve, the noise-makers are blown full blast accompanied by the whistles on every ship, tug, etc., in the vicinity, joined by those of the surrounding communities.

**Honor Norse Goddess.**  
Once upon a time, long before the Nordic tribes were converted to Christianity—maybe even before the Saviour was born—the tribesmen decked their lodgings with evergreens in honor of Hertha, Norse goddess of the home and domestic affairs. Hertha paid her annual visits during the time of the Winter Solstice and descended through the smoke which curled upward from the fire boughs burning upon a special altar of flat stones.

When the family and serfs were gathered before the blaze, Hertha would direct the person wisest in lore and legend to foretell the fortunes of those present.

For centuries the legend of Hertha's slippers survived in Germany. Cakes, baked in the shape of a slipper, were filled with candy and small gifts. Given to maidens and children, the slippers of Hertha supposedly bestowed the qualities of virtue, health and beauty.

American children may have never heard of Nordic Hertha, but rarely does a youngster hang up his Christmas stocking without worrying whether or not Santa Claus will be able to squeeze down the chimney.

Betcha more people get crooked from avoiding hard work, than become bent from too much of it.

Phone 67 when company comes!

## TOYS AROUSED BOYS' GENIUS



Robert Louis Stevenson's preoccupation with toy theaters in his youth, much of which was spent in illness, led to the flowering of his dramatic prose in adulthood. The Wright brothers' first interest in flying is traced to youthful experiments with kites and toy airships.

The Teddy bear is the most popular doll of all time. The first Teddy bear was designed by Margarette Steiff from a cartoonist's version of the late President Theodore ("Teddy") Roosevelt's bear hunt in the Rockies, and thus the toy was named.

Year in and year out the Teddy bear and his stuffed cousins, from Uncle Remus in 1909 to the Panda in 1937, have topped all others in popularity, the authors say. They estimate that there are some 10 million Teddy bears in American homes today.

The ball is one of the oldest rivals of the doll among children and its antiquity can be traced to ancient Egypt. Pottery, wood, and papyrus balls were common in the land of Cleopatra and a manuscript of the 15th century mentions "the yellow glass used for the little balls with which school boys play, and which are very cheap."

Greeting Cards at Herald office!

## Soldiers Find Chinese

### Pay Bills at Christmas

Although their usually elaborate holiday feasts are somewhat simpler these days, the Chinese still exchange gifts. In fact, the soldiers thereabouts found gift-giving is a national weakness. And every Chinese tries to pay all his bills at Christmas time, so he may begin the New Year debtless, if penniless.

Christmas celebrations are particularly widespread in Chungking, the capital, for Gen'l Chiang Kai-shek is a Methodist and a large percentage of the Chinese are Christians.

Soldiers in India will have an English Christmas in semi-tropical surroundings. Most of the Christian population is English and there are Christmas trees, church services, nativity pageants and huge Christmas dinners—just like home.

## Tomb of St. Nicholas

### Scene of Pilgrimage

St. Nicholas, who rules over the festival of Christmas, was born in Myra, Asia Minor, where he was bishop for 17 years. When he died in A. D. 352 his tomb became the scene of an annual pilgrimage, which continued until his remains were removed to Bari, in Italy, in 1057, where they are still venerated. He must have been a versatile person, for he is also the patron saint and protector of sailors, pawnbrokers, spinsters and thieves! His festival is really on the sixth of December.

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## Greetings of the Season



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To you, our friends, we wish a Happy Christmas and a New Year of Health and Prosperity.

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Hang the holly high in every window! Trim the tree and place the mistletoe where it will bring the most cheer to everyone. For this is the Christmas season and our hearts are lighter than they were a Christmas ago.

To our many friends we say, "you've been wonderfully patient—and we wish you a wonderful Yuletide!"

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## You Wouldn't Kid Us, Would You, Mister?



## Christmas Medley

Christmas was once abolished by an act of parliament in England. That was in 1644 when the Puritans under Oliver Cromwell governed the realm. The Puritans' disbelief in holiday enjoyments was so intense that parliament ordered Christmas to be observed as a strict fast day. No roast beef, no plum pudding, no wassail were permitted.

Although turkey is the essential feature of Christmas dinner today, the bird was unknown in England in the 16th century. Introduced from America, it came into its present popularity in the early 1700s.

In several states of the Union there is a definite law forbidding anyone from interfering with a child's belief in Santa Claus.

Some European peoples have a superstition—dating from ancient times—that animals take on the power of speech at Christmas time.

Lewis Carroll wrote his famous book, "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," as a Christmas gift for a little girl who was the daughter of one of his friends.

Remember when hankies were two for a nickel, instead of two for a dollar?

## Santa Claus Is Bearer of Gifts In Many Lands

Mothers of America are overwhelmingly agreed that parents should teach their children to believe in Santa Claus.

At least that is the conclusion drawn from a recent opinion poll by a leading woman's magazine.

One of the women polled made an answer typical of many: "Belief in Santa Claus is one of the beautiful wonders of childhood. It gives us a period in which dreams come true and anything is possible."

Christmas is like heaven on earth for the very young, the magazine points out. But as America moves from war to peace, there is an inevitable emphasis on reality and truth. No one wants to fool or be



They knew he would come.

fooled. Therefore, should even happy myths be promoted?

In Virgil, mistletoe was the golden bough, by the plucking of which Aeneas was enabled to descend into the underworld and return safely.

In ancient Britain it was the sacred plant of the Druids. The chief nature festival of these forest worshippers was around the oak tree with the most mistletoe on it. The Arch-Druid ascended the tree to the lowest bough on which the sacred mistletoe was growing. With a golden sickle he cropped the branch and allowed it to fall in a fold of his ample robes. The plant was so sacred that it must never touch the earth. The priest then broke the bough into many pieces and gave a twig to each of his followers with a prayer.

In the language of the flowers, mistletoe means "give me a kiss." This has its basis from a Scandinavian myth.

He who took his own horn soon has everyone dodging him.

Did you ever see a lawyer's brief that wasn't long?

## Tuberculosis Seal Idea Originated In Copenhagen

## Sale in America Resulted In Big Life Saving.

It was a busy afternoon just before Christmas in 1903 and piles upon piles of holiday letters and packages were pouring through the post office in Copenhagen. A postal clerk, Einar Holboell, expertly handled the letters and packages, and as he did so, he pondered an idea which was to have great effect upon the destiny of millions of people in the world.

This idea of Holboell's was to mark the beginning of one of the strangest wars ever fought—a war in which human lives were to be saved, not sacrificed; in which homes have been saved, not bombed; one in which there can be no armistice, no peace treaty. For the world-wide war against tuberculosis is a total war and final victory will come only with the complete eradication of the ancient enemy which for centuries has been the cause of more deaths than any conflict or pestilence in history.

By 1907 the Danish Christmas Seals were appearing on letters to people in America. Jacob Riis, whom Theodore Roosevelt once called "America's most useful citizen," published an article "The Christmas Stamp,"

which set people in this country to thinking about what they could do with the idea. They thought the story good, but they pondered that the problem was too great for a penny stamp.

Late in the autumn of 1907, Emily Bissell, a young public health worker in Wilmington, Del., became concerned about the fate of a little sanatorium on the Brandywine river. She asked for assistance, but those that could give always replied in the negative with the postscript that she should not waste the money.

In her blackest moment, Emily Bissell recalled the article written



by Jacob Riis, and sat down to design the first Christmas Seal for America. With new design in hand, Miss Bissell set out to get help in putting her plan across. She encountered trouble from those that could afford to help. Finally she took her design to a small printer who agreed to wait for his pay. She talked with the postal clerks and they said that they would assist if the people would be advised that the penny stamp would not carry anything—that it was purely ornamental.

The printer turned out 50,000 of the stamps—the people of Delaware had begun to hear about tuberculosis—and a Christmas Seal table was set up in the Wilmington post office, and the first Christmas Seal sale in America was under way.

The last German U-boat attack made along the Texas coast was December 3, 1943.

Greeting Cards at Herald office!

## Reason for Eight Reindeers

Have you ever stopped to think why St. Nicholas drives eight reindeer instead of one? You haven't? Well, let's pause for a moment and figure it out.

St. Nicholas is a mythical character, he rides in a mythical sleigh, carries a mythical bag, and drives mythical reindeer. The creators of St. Nicholas knew that one reindeer would do the job, but in order to make the character more impressive and longer remembered, they hitched a matched unit of eight to the sleigh.

A dollar is more than we want to blow in a hankie.

## Balsam Fir Chosen by Heavenly Messengers

According to Ansgarius, who converted the Vikings to Christianity, the Lord sent Faith, Hope and Charity to earth to select His Christmas Tree.

They selected the Balsam Fir because it was as high as Hope, as wide as Love, and bore the sign of the cross on every branch.

There's many a person on the air who should get the air.

Common sense is the most uncommon thing in the world.

## Old English Celebrated If Log Burnt at Christmas

Among the many old English Christmas festivities was the ceremony attached to bringing a great log, sometimes the root of a tree, into the household on Christmas Eve, placing it in the fireplace and lighting it with a branch of the previous year's log. While it burned through the night there was great celebration but if it went out it presaged ill luck for the coming year.

Apparently most bathing beauties believe in keeping their powder dry

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## EQUIPMENT TO SCHOOLS

WASHINGTON—The Air Force in the past year has to non-profit schools throughout the country approximately 600 worth of aircraft instruments.

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## A Joyous Yuletide To All . . . .

We blow the trumpets loud and long—and hope you'll hear our yuletide song. Its music is in children's laughter on Christmas morn and the long days after. Its words aren't always in perfect rhyme, but they're joined to wish you a glorious time! As for 1946—may it see you heartily thrive; and while its bells in gladness ring, godspeed the happiness it may bring.

## Tri-State Insulation Co.

Austin Brasher, Owner



"Let not one heart be sad today,  
May every child be glad and gay,  
God Bless thy children, great and small,  
In lowly hut or castle hall,  
And may each soul keep festival  
At Christmastime."

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY,  
HEALTHY NEW YEAR  
TO ALL



Roy K. Sanford, M. D.

## GREETINGS OF THE SEASON....

How real is the gift of friendship, and how priceless is good-will. At this time of good cheer, when all cares and disappointments give way to good fellowship, may the joys and pleasures of this festive season be yours in full measure, and may the New Year abound with success and happiness.

WESLEY BRYAN, Champlin Distributor



## The Little Fir Tree

Henry Harding

It was very little sunlight in the forest. The trees were all the grown up trees. The little fir tree stretched himself, and imagined himself as full of sunlight up at the sky and the moon, he listened to the trees talk. "Isn't it a beautiful night?" one would say to the others. "Yes, it is," the little fir tree would answer. "The moon is so bright, and the stars are so clear. It's a wonderful night." "I wish you were going to be a part of it," the little fir tree would say to the others. "I wish you were going to be a part of it," the little fir tree would say to the others.

Just then a little lad who was riding in the sled, called to his father. "Dad, can we find a little tree for the Christmas tree?" "Yes, we can," the father answered. "Let's go and find one." The little lad and his father went into the forest. They looked at the trees and the little fir tree called out to them. "I'm here, I'm here!" "That's the one," the father said. "That's the one we want." The little lad and his father went to the little fir tree and cut it down. They carried it home and put it in the living room. The little fir tree was very happy. It was a part of the Christmas tree.

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The man got out from the sled. He walked to the tree and fondled it gently. "I never saw a more beautiful tree. It seems to glow. Molly will love it," he said with a smile.

The little tree was so happy that he didn't feel the blows from the ax that cut him to the ground. And when they put him into the sled, he was still happy. The little boy called to his father. "It sounds as if the little tree was singing when the wind blows through its branches." And the little tree laughed delightedly.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kuhn came in Friday from Albuquerque, N. Mex., to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kuhn. Fred has re-enlisted in the army and is awaiting his call.

You can buy legal blanks for every purpose at the Stewart Printing Co.

## "Hold That Blonde" Plays Tues.-Wed. At Ellis Theatre

Comedy that blends with romance and grand larceny is promised for patrons of the Ellis theatre next Tuesday and Wednesday when "Hold That Blonde" is shown. Co-starring Eddie Bracken and Veronica Lake, the film is a fast-moving, slack bit of nonsense that is bent on nothing but entertaining.

Bracken, who is very much at home in comedy, will be seen as a millionaire's son with the unfortunate affliction of kleptomania. He never remembers having stolen things when he comes to with miscellaneous articles in his possession, but he is scrupulously honest about returning them. It is when he returns the loot that he is caught.

In desperation Eddie goes to a psychiatrist who informs him that it is only by falling in love that he can shake his embarrassing peculiarity.

Romance comes his way in the attractive person of Veronica Lake, a jewel thief—not by choice but by coercion. When Bracken steals her compact, which contains the combination of a safe about to be ransacked by Veronica and her associates, they are sure that he is after the same booty that they are. The plot thickens hilariously when Eddie in an effort to keep Veronica from stealing a fabulously valuable necklace, attempts to get it himself.

Miss Lake in the role of a jewel thief is something new for her fans. She is said to bring to the part a delightful penchant for mischief. Albert Dekker has a featured role as a detective and Willie Best plays Bracken's valet and confidant, a combination that adds up to plenty of trouble for him and laughs for his audience.

Paul Jones produced and George Marshall directed "Hold That Blonde."

## Super New Western Features Dancing, Music and Action

Balanced to make the best in entertainment for all picture goers who like action, music, spectacular riding, and glamorous dance routines, is "Don't Fence Me In" starring Roy Rogers, playing this Saturday at the Ellis.

Dale Evans, pretty blonde actress, has the leading feminine role in the film which features George "Gabby" Hayes, Bob Nolan and the Sons of the Pioneers, Robert Livingston, Moroni Olson, Marc Lawrence and Lucille Gleason.

The screenplay, concerns the efforts of a feminine photographer to uncover for her magazine, the truth about an asserted "bad man" of the old West. She finds her story at a dude ranch operated by Rogers, and

## Spread Christmas Cheer Over The Home Dinner Table

### Christmas Dinner Menu

Grapefruit and Pomegranate Salad  
Baked Ham  
Parsley Buttered Potatoes  
Baked Squash Squares  
Crisp Celery—Olives  
Spiced Crabapples  
Hot Rolls—Butter  
Plum Pudding with Hard Sauce or Hot Mince Pie with Cheese Coffee

Christmas dinner is an occasion, particularly for the young hostess who is preparing and serving the meal herself for the first time. A carefully planned menu will go a long way toward making the task a pleasant one, and the meal a real success.

There are two things to keep in mind, when planning the Christmas dinner. First, the meal should be almost gets Hayes into jail before the identity of the real crook can be found.

Rogers rides and sings with the carefree, casual charm which has brought him millions of fans of all ages.

menu, says Jessie Alice Cline, home economist. First, the meal wants to be as festive and colorful as possible. This can be achieved partly, of course, with table decorations. But the foods themselves and the way they are served count for a lot in the appearance of the table, and make for greater enjoyment of the meal.

Secondly, the menu should be planned to avoid unnecessary housework. A streamlined menu is in excellent taste, and simple dishes can be just as glamorous as fussy ones. Plan to do part of the preparation the day before. Above all, try to avoid having too many details to be attended to at the last minute. A simple schedule of work will help to ease the preparation and will make for smoothness in serving.

The menu above is offered as a suggestion. To simplify the meal, the salad is served as a first course, and only one hot vegetable besides potatoes is included. Either the plum pudding or mince pie is made in advance.

The focus of attention is likely to be the meat course, and for this the

noble ham is a superb choice. Not only is it traditional for the holiday feast, but it is also easy to prepare. And for popularity of flavor and all-round goodness, baked ham cannot be surpassed.

The new tendered hams do not require any soaking or boiling; they're ready for the oven. Place on a rack in an open shallow pan. Bake in a slow oven (300 degrees F.), allowing 15 to 20 minutes per pound for baking.

Either a whole or half ham may be decorated very easily. About half an hour before the ham is done remove any rind except for a "collar" around the bone. Add a brown sugar or fruit glaze, and any decoration desired, then finish cooking.

For the small family, a center cut ham slice is a good choice. While this is not decorated, it can be garnished attractively on the platter.

## Amarillo Golden Glove Tourney Is Planned Jan. 21-23

AMARILLO—Dates for the Tenth Annual District Golden Gloves tournament, sponsored by the Amarillo Globe News, have been announced for January 21, 22 and 23.

The tournament, held in the Municipal Auditorium here, is sanctioned by the Amateur Athletic Union, and affiliated with the Texas

Golden Gloves Athletic Association. Duke Nally, tournament director, has announced competition in two divisions—School and Golden Gloves, determining individual champions in each division, and a team championship in the School division.

Last year the team title was won by Lefors High School expected to make another strong bid for the ornate 24-inch team trophy.

John Hosea, former Texas Wesleyan football star, and a familiar figure in state Golden Gloves competition several years ago is coaching the Lefors boxers.

Individual trophies are awarded winners and runnersup in the 112, 118, 126, 135, 147, 160, 175 and heavyweight classes.

Champions of the Golden Gloves tournament will represent the Amarillo District at the State Tournament at Fort Worth, Feb. 14-19. State winners go to the Tournament of Champions in Chicago.

Competition is restricted to amateurs 16 years of age and over. Throughout the tournament, hotel accommodations and meals will be furnished all boxers.

Schools and individuals interested in competing may obtain further information by writing Golden Gloves Editor, Amarillo Globe News, Amarillo, Texas.

Greeting Cards for every occasion at Stewart Printing Co.

## Veterans Assured Quarters at WTSC

CANYON—Veterans of Ochiltree county will soon find living accommodations available here to permit them to go to college under provisions of the G. I. bill.

West Texas State will move 53 trailer cottages from Amarillo and Borger to the campus and will rent them exclusively to veterans, married and single. A contract for the project has been signed with the Federal Public Housing Authority. The units will be ready by the beginning of the spring semester of the college.

In the trailer cottage unit will be five utility houses. Title to the cottages will remain with the government. The college will be responsible for moving and establishing the housing units, setting up regulations, and furnishing utilities. Rentals will be agreed upon with the federal authority.

Many veterans are inquiring about housing while visiting the Veterans Administration guidance center on the local college campus.

It is possible to get 2,598,960 different poker hands of five cards each with a regular pack of 52 cards.



May All Your Christmases be Bright

The multi-colored lights which adorn your Christmas tree will be reflected, we hope, in the radiance of your joy through all the years to follow. And may the happy surprises which await you mark the beginning of a future which will be filled with the good things of life. MERRY CHRISTMAS... and we repeat, "may all your Christmases be bright."

Perryton Furniture Co.

## Season's Greetings

Christmas this year in America has been made doubly significant by the glorious sacrifice of the youth of our Nation. Somehow we believe it fitting and appropriate to remember them especially, in our Christmas Greetings. Because of their sacrifice and their willingness to serve, an American Christmas is again possible.

To all our friends we send heartiest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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## Home for Holidays



Three million servicemen, who were absent last Christmas, will be home with their loved ones this year.

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## Christmas Plant Was Named for U. S. Diplomat

Poinsettia Brought Here From Mexico Adopted As Christmas Plant.

Poinsettias which have come to be a "must" for home Christmas decorations owe their name and popularity to an early American diplomat, botanist and scholar—Jesse Roberts Poinsett.

Nearly a century and a quarter ago, Poinsett, then U. S. ambassador to Mexico, first brought cuttings of the "fire plant" to his South Carolina home. Carefully he tended the transplanted tropical beauty. Under his skillful hands the flower thrived and improved.

Soon the fame of this colorful new plant spread to other states and Robert Buist, a Philadelphia botanist, bought some cuttings from Poinsett. He named them euphorbia poinsettia.

Since that day enthusiasts not only in the United States but throughout the world have continued to improve the poinsettia, until today there are a score of varieties from giant six-foot stalks to diminutive dwarfs, double and single varieties, green poinsettias with red veins, white varieties and a gradation of reds from the traditional flaming scarlets to pale pinks.

Besides serving as ambassador to Mexico, Poinsett was a member of congress from South Carolina and served as secretary of war in President Van Buren's cabinet. He was a personal friend of Presidents Madison, Monroe, Jackson and Van Buren.

Cabeza de Vaca, Spanish explorer, was the first doctor in Texas.

Send a Birthday Card from the Perryton Herald Co.

## Santa Real Person



Santa Claus was a very real person.

The name, "Santa Claus," derived from that of St. Nicholas, who was bishop of Myra in Asia Minor in the fourth century.

Today, Saint Nicholas is the patron saint of sailors, merchants and children in Greece.

Incidentally, the name Kris Kringle is sometimes erroneously used to designate Santa Claus. Kris Kringle is a corruption of the German word Christkindel, meaning the "Christ Child."

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Bass announce the arrival of a daughter born Saturday, December 15. Mrs. Bass is the former Miss Florence Strangrove.

## How Our Allies Observed Yule Around Globe

Here at home, the vacant place at the fireside or Christmas dinner table need not mean that the absent one is without friendly participation in the joys of the season. Our millions of American servicemen overseas in occupied countries or other places will find Christmas observed in almost any land in which they find themselves and with a variety of customs that should be refreshing to a visitor.

Our soldiers in the Pacific and Far East will find the climate the strangest part of their Christmas day. For it will be midsummer in most places. On Pacific islands the G.I.s will find a surprising amount of Christmas spirit expressed by the warm-hearted people.

In the Philippines, for example, Christmas is one of the loveliest times of the year and is one of the oldest traditions of the Filipinos, to whom Christianity was brought in the 16th century. The celebration starts with morning masses several days before December 25. These are called misa de galle (when the roosters are beginning to crow). Music by violins, tambourines and the organ adds to the impressiveness.



Twins will spend Christmas with Allies.

On Christmas Eve the Filipinos fast before the midnight service—a very solemn ceremony in palm-filled and lantern-lit churches. The fast is broken with a Christmas dinner of ham, stuffed chicken, fruits and nuts and hot chocolate. Carol singers go from house to house with a Belen—a reproduction of the Nativity scene and children kiss the hands of their parents for blessings—followed, of course, by gifts. Often the holiday branches are taken from bamboo trees and every home takes pride in its colored lanterns of original patterns.

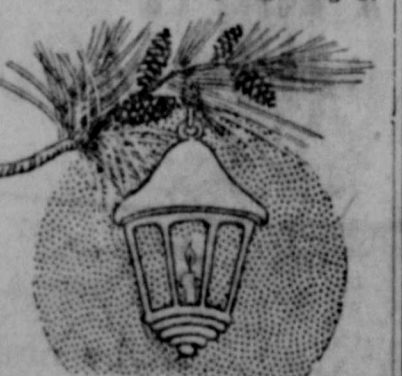
**Firecrackers in China.** Yanks in China will find more red firecrackers than are usually found on the Fourth of July in America. They are usually hung in festoons over store counters. No Chinese celebrates anything without firecrackers. The Chinese Chinese have learned to love the carols of their new faith, and sing them with Chinese words, as they exchange gifts around the tree. With so many G.I.s in China this year, Christmas will be a major festival.

In India, particularly in the large cities, American boys will find Christmas customs like their own, observed by European residents.

In Australia and New Zealand, a white Christmas is unknown, but the customs are the same as in snowy American and English areas. While roast beef, turkey, plum pudding and mince pie are the substantial Christmas dinner much in the English tradition, the meal will be eaten on a warm summer day. Instead of poinsettias and green Christmas wreaths, the holiday blooms "down under" are pure white Christmas lilies, gladioli and delphiniums.

Allied troops still in the Middle East may find themselves near Bethlehem. Last Christmas many American boys from the Mediterranean made pilgrimages to the holy places and many left in that area may plan similar trips this year. If so, they may attend impressive services held by the Eastern Orthodox church on the Latin Christmas, beginning at 10 o'clock on Christmas Eve. The patriarch comes from Jerusalem with a troop of cavalry and ecclesiastic guards in gorgeous array. At the reading of the gospel the people leave the church and follow the clergy along a rock-hewn passage to the grotto of the Nativity. There a waxen image of the infant is laid on the site said to be that of the manger.

In Europe many of our soldiers will worship in some of the oldest cathedrals on the continent. At St. Peter's in Rome, at Notre Dame in Paris and at other historic shrines of Christianity solemn and impressive services will usher in the day.



In Belgium, the Santa Claus part of Christmas will have passed by December 23, for their St. Nicholas Day is 19 days before that date. The old saint rides a white horse in Belgium, instead of driving a reindeer and the children leave hay in their stockings for the horse to eat in return for what the good saint leaves for them.

The moon is continuously above the horizon for half of each lunar month and continuously below for the other half at the South Pole.

## Burning Good Luck Candles Is Ancient Christmas Custom

Try not to let Christmas go by without burning two "good luck candles"—bayberry candles, of course, with their pungent incense! They are as much a part of Christmastide as the holly wreath or the evergreen tree, and there's no perfume to equal the faint fragrance of the wax from real bayberry shrubs.

An old legend says: That if lovers are separated at Christmas time through some quarrel or misunderstanding, both burn a bayberry candle before midnight on Christmas eve, the sweet incense will be wafted from one to the other and a joyous reunion effected.

But whether that's true or not, we all do know that: "A bayberry candle burned to the socket Will bring luck to the house and gold to the pocket!"

## Happy Birthday—It's Just an Old Yule Custom



The birthday cake, with all its shining candles, is a direct descendant of the Yule cake with which the English once celebrated Christmas. The Yule cake, instead of having a candle for each year, carried one for each member of the family. Good luck for the coming year was supposed to be the reward of the one who could blow out all of the candles at once.

## Celebrant



This attractive young Chinese girl adds her bit to the celebration of New Year's eve in New Year festivities. The Chinese new year—4641—begins considerably later than our own.

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## Animals Share Christmas Joy With Their Masters

Charmingly generous customs have arisen in many countries from little gestures of kindness to animals. And some of the most delightful have their origin in the Christmas celebration.

For instance, the Scandinavians gave extra rations to their cattle. The dogs in Albania were rewarded for faithful service with the first wheat cakes of the season.

Our bird sanctuaries, too, grew out of a holiday custom. A sheaf of grain, a trophy of the harvest, was placed on the housetop for the birds.

In the Solomon Islands of the South Pacific, it is taboo for unmarried women to eat in the presence of unmarried men.

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**IF YOU BAKE AT HOME**—be sure you get Fleischmann's active fresh Yeast with the familiar yellow label. Dependable—America's time-tested favorite for more than 70 years.

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If we had a whole shelf of books, we doubt very seriously if we could find anywhere in them a phrase more beautiful, more appropriate, or more sincere than "Merry Christmas". In expressing this sentiment, we wish for all our friends here at home and still away in all corners of the globe, all the things that will bring you health, happiness and prosperity.

**Sibley Jines & Son Realty Co.**



**"Just the man we're looking for"**

With his twinkling eyes, cherry red nose and snow white beard, a Ruddy Old Saint Nick arrives again, bringing with him a sack full of laughter, merriment and Christmas joys.

We, too, bring to you our sincerest wishes for a very happy holiday.

**HOWARD and MILDRED HOLT**  
Holt Plumbing Co.





Among the things for which our boys sacrificed was the right to celebrate Christmas in the traditional American way. With particular pride in our country's accomplishments in this direction and with a firm faith in our nation's future, the official family of Ochiltree County sends heartiest Christmas and New Year's greetings to all citizens and to the men and women still in service throughout the world.

# County of Ochiltree



## Santa Letters

Tuesday  
December 4, 1945

Dear Santa,

I want some doll clothes, a doll, some skates, some fur mittens and a green striped dress with long sleeves. I will hang my stocking up for some candy and nuts but I am sick now. I hope I won't be Christmas and I am 9 and in the fourth grade.

Don't forget Mom and Daddy.  
Your friend,  
Peggy Mann

Tuesday  
December 4, 1945

Dear Santa,

I want a doll, some doll clothes and some candy and nuts and don't forget my brother Donnie and my Mama and Daddy. I am ten and in the fourth grade.

Your friend,  
La Von-Ard

Monday Morning

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a football pair of skates and a car. Some Levis too

if you can find any.

I've been a good little boy.  
Thank You,  
Dewey Dean Blank

Darrrouzett, Texas  
Nov. 19, 1945

Dear Santa,

I am ten years old and I want a bride doll and a bible with my name in gold and that is all.

Love,  
Shirley Laurie

Darrrouzett, Texas  
Nov. 19, 1945

Dear Santa,

My name is David and I want an airplane and a gun and that is all.

Love,  
David Laurie

Dear Santa,

I want a doll and a set of dishes and that is all.

Love,  
Cherry Laurie

Perryton, Texas  
Rt. 2  
December 6, 1945

Dear Santa Claus,

## Ring Out the Old, Ring in the New

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,  
The flying cloud, the frosty light;  
The year is dying in the night;  
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,  
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;  
The year is going, let him go;  
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,  
For those that here we see no more;  
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,  
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,  
And ancient forms of party strife;  
Ring in the nobler modes of life,  
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,  
The faithless coldness of the times;  
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,  
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,  
The civic slander and the spite;  
Ring in the love of truth and right,  
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;  
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;  
Ring out the thousand wars of old,  
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,  
The larger heart, the kinder hand;  
Ring out the darkness of the land,  
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

—Lord Tennyson.

I am looking forward to a visit from you so I'm trying to be a good boy.

I want a Choo-Choo, a football and a wagon.

Please bring Roger, my little brother, a teddy bear so I can have mine.

Your little friend,  
Tim Tandy Wright

Perryton, Texas  
Rt. 2  
December 6, 1945

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a doll, and some clothes for her. I'd like to have an ironing board and iron too.

I have two little brothers so please remember them and remember all the poor children that the war has hurt.

Your loving friend,  
Nancy Wright

Perryton, Texas  
December 4, 1945

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a little doll that has sleeping eyes, dishes, a cabinet to put them in, iron and an ironing board, some nuts, candy and fruit.

## Greeting Cards First Used in Victorian Era

The custom of sending greeting cards is perhaps the youngest member in the family of Christmas traditions, although the ideal was expressed by the Excelsis Deo of the angels.

Until authorities at the British museum recently discovered a drawing depicting four scenes of holiday celebration—early Victorian style—dated 1842, J. C. Horsley was accredited with having created the first commercial Christmas card in 1843.

The 1842 creation was an elaborate affair. Drawn by W. M. Edgley, it includes scenes of a dinner party—featuring the plum pudding, a group of carol singers, a crowd watching a Punch and Judy show, a panel of silk-hatted and cane-toting ice skaters, dancers doing a Roper de Covery—the Victorian Conga—and evidence that the poor must not be forgotten.

It is impossible to say whether or not Mr. Horsley was aware of Edgley's masterpiece, but Horsley had a friend, and thereby hangs the tale. Sir Henry Cole, a man with many friends, was confronted by the task of sending them a cheery holiday greeting. The quill pens in use a century ago sputtered and were irritating, so Sir Henry spoke to Horsley about the matter. Horsley, a member of the Royal Academy in London, was agreeably impressed and turned out an appropriate design inscribed simply, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You."

Edgley and Horsley made beginnings. According to research authorities the custom was taken up in America about 30 years later during the 1870s when Louis Prang, a Boston lithographer, printed a catalogue of Christmas cards.

No matter whether the greeting is the elaborate descendant of Edgley's drawing, or a simple good wish offered in friendship as worked out by Sir Henry and Horsley, or the glorious echo of the angels' enunciation, send that Christmas card to the boy in the service—and to his loved ones keeping faith at home.

My brother wants a football and a farm set. Don't forget our Daddy; he will be home with us this Christmas. Bring him a smoking stand. My Mother wants a dresser set. Remember all the little girls and boys. I have been a good little girl. I am seven years old.

Your friend,  
Della Ann McCurdy

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## Reprobatus Becomes St. Christopher— Answers Christ's Call

Reprobatus was a young giant whose heathen philosophies prompted him to desert one master after another whenever he found a master stronger than the one he then served.

Noticing that the mighty Pharaoh feared Satan, Reprobatus deserted Pharaoh to serve Satan; perceiving that the Devil himself was startled by the cross, he left the services of Satan and went in search of Christ.

When he refused to pray, he was commanded to do penance and given the task of carrying travelers across a deep river.

On Christmas Eve a voice called for Reprobatus and, answering the summons, he found a very small child waiting to be carried across the river. When he had placed the little one upon his shoulder, the burden of his weight nearly bowed Reprobatus to the ground.

"You are, indeed, as heavy as the world," declared Reprobatus. "I created the world," replied the child. "I redeemed the world and I bear the sins of the world."

Reprobatus was no longer a heathen giant; he was Christofera, the bearer of Christ: as St. Christopher, he is the Goliath of the Saints, patron saint of all travelers; his emblem is a palm stem which Christ bade him thrust into the soil—wherefore the date palm is said to blossom and bear fruit at Christmas time.

## Fire Hazards Beset Homes At Christmas

Your Christmas tree and the decorations on it are fire hazards which you will want to watch most carefully this Christmas. Remember when you bring a tree into your house it is going to dry up. A fresh cut tree will not take fire any more easily during the

first day or two than would the evergreen shrubs growing outside but it becomes a more serious fire hazard every hour. At the end of a week, it will be highly flammable.

It is best to bring in a fresh tree as short a time before Christmas as possible, and to remove it as soon afterwards as you can. If you do this, ordinary precautions should prevent it from taking fire. Families, clubs, churches and business men who want to keep their trees from a week or more before Christmas until after New Year's day need observe special safeguards to keep it reasonably safe.

### Place in Pan of Water.

The tree can be kept fresh if you set it up in a pan of water. Cut off the base of the tree at an angle at least one inch above the original cut and keep it standing in water during the entire period that the tree is in the house, adding water to the jar or tub in which the tree stands at intervals to keep the water level always above the cut. This method when used with fresh trees reduces the flammability as effectively as any fireproofing chemicals. Chemicals may cause the tree to turn brown or yellow or to lose its needles.

The place you select for your tree should be well away from stoves, radiators, and other sources of heat. The tree should be well secured against falling by inconspicuous wires holding it against the wall. The tree should be so placed that standing or fallen, it can't

a doorway which might be needed to escape from the room.

### Candle Still Takes Toll.

The candle for Christmas is still taking its yearly toll of lives and property. It is found on Christmas trees more rarely every year, but none the less, it is used unwisely in many places during the Christmas season. Open flame lighting is entirely out of place unless you set up your candles and lamps well away from Christmas trees, window curtains, and burnable decorations, have a fire extinguisher handy and then keep constant watch over them.

But it is important that your Christmas tree be in good condition.

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Bernard Barnes spent end with his parents. B. L. Barnes after released from an Army hospital where he received pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Speck mother, Mrs. C. A. D. spent Monday shopping.

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## The Gospel According To St. Luke

AND it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed.

2. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

3. And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city.

4. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David);

5. To be taxed with Mary, his espoused wife, being great with child.

6. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

7. And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

8. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

9. And, lo, an angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

10. And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.



11. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

12. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

13. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying:

14. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

15. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.



16. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

17. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

18. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

19. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

20. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

21. And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

### Here's Norse Legend: Kiss Under Mistletoe Sign of Reconciliation

In Norse mythology, Balder, the god who personified the sun, was hated by Lok, who planned to destroy him. Balder's mother obtained a promise from all living things, except the mistletoe, that they would not harm Balder. Lok made an arrow from the mistletoe and gave it to Balder's blind brother, Hoder, explaining how he could throw it. The arrow struck Balder, killing him, but he was restored to life and the mistletoe was placed under his mother's care so that it would never again bring harm. The custom of giving a kiss of love or peace under the mistletoe is an assurance that it will never again be an instrument of evil.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Voiers of La Feria, Texas, spent the past week in the W. B. LaMaster home. They returned Saturday, and Mrs. LaMaster's mother, Mrs. C. S. Tandy went with them; she plans to spend the remainder of the winter in the valley.

### Woman's World



This is no place for a man—take Bobby's word for it. But Sis doesn't care. She knows exactly what she wants for Christmas. In fact, she already has her hands on it. And that smile on her face comes as close as anything could to denoting complete satisfaction with conditions in general.

### But Is It Art?



One of the sights American servicemen can see in China is opera—but it looks a bit different from the Met. Here Marine S/Sgt. John J. Kaiser Jr. of East Keansburg, N. J., shoots the breeze with a couple of gargoyle-like stars backstage at the Peiping Opera House.

### Free Matinee For Kiddies Christmas Day

The Ellis Theatre's annual kiddies matinee will be held again this

year on Christmas afternoon. Verb Conley, manager, announces. A top film attraction, "Captain Tugboat Annie," starring Edgar Kennedy and Charles Gordon, will be shown twice during the afternoon, at 1:30 and 3:15.

All kiddies of the community are invited to attend the show free of charge.

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## Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

With the passing of each year, our Christmas Greetings to you become more and more an essential part of our lives. This year, perhaps more than ever, we have looked forward to the opportunity of sending a message of good cheer to you. We are aware of the disappointments that have been

yours; we are familiar with the good things in life which have been yours to enjoy. And at this Christmas time, we want it to be one of those great occasions which you will long remember as being a happy season, full of hope for Health, Peace and Contentment.

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# Church SERVICES

## Baptist Church

Booker, Texas  
J. A. Land, Pastor  
Sunday School—10 a. m.  
Preaching—11 a. m.  
Training Union—6:30 p. m.  
Preaching Service—7:30 p. m.  
W. M. U., Wednesday—2:30 p. m.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting—7:30 p. m.

## Christian Church

Booker, Texas  
"Home on Fourth Center"  
V. Alex. Hills, Pastor  
Lore's Day Services:  
Bible School—10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship—11:00 a. m.  
Christian Endeavor—7:00 p. m.  
(Junior and Senior)  
Primary Bible Story Hour 7 p. m.  
Evangelistic Service 8:00 p. m.  
Choir Rehearsal, Wed. 7:30 p. m.  
Bible Class, Friday 7:00 p. m.

## Lutheran Church

W. B. Gemmell, Pastor  
Bethlehem Lutheran Church  
S. W. 7th St. and S. W. 7th Ave.  
Sunday School and Bible Class—10:00 a. m.  
Divine Services—11:00 a. m.  
Voters meeting Sunday—2:30 p. m.  
Catechumen Class Saturdays—2:30 p. m.  
You are always welcome at the Lutheran church.

## Full Gospel Church

Ralph Durham, Pastor  
Sunday Services—  
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.  
Preaching 11:00 a. m.  
Praying 4:15 p. m.  
Young Peoples 7:30 p. m.  
Wednesday—  
Prayer Meeting 8:15 p. m.  
Friday—  
Cottage Meeting 8:15 p. m.

## Christian Church

Ward H. N. Gregg, Pastor  
10 a. m.—Bible classes for all ages  
11 a. m.—Morning worship service  
6 p. m. The Endeavor Hour  
7 p. m. Evening Worship  
7:30 p. m. Wednesday—Choir practice.

## Alfalpa Church

Alfalpa School House  
Carroll Wall, Superintendent  
Sunday School, 3:00 p. m.  
Preaching, 3:30 p. m., second Sunday of each month.

## Nazarene Church

Henry C. Thomas, Pastor  
October 21 is Family Day in the Church. Bring the family and help make this a day of family worship.  
Sunday School 10:00 a. m.  
J. O. Carter, Supt.  
Morning Message—11:00 a. m.  
Pre-Prayer service—6:30 p. m.  
N. Y. P. S.—6:45 p. m.  
Evening Service—7:30 p. m.  
Wednesday Evening Prayer Service—7:30 p. m.

## Gray Church

Gray, Oklahoma  
Sunday school—10:30 a. m.  
Morning worship—11:00 a. m.  
Rev. Robert Ground will deliver the sermon on Sunday, Nov. 11

## Primitive Baptist

Elder J. B. Hardy and Elder M. W. Smith, Pastors  
The 1st and 3rd Sundays in each month at the Primitive Baptist Church, one block east of the American Legion Hall.  
Service, 11:00 a. m.  
Service, 6:30 p. m.  
Elder Hardy will deliver the messages at the services on the first Sundays of each month, and Elder

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

### Christmas: the One Bright Fact in a Strife-Torn World

The International Sunday School Lesson for Dec. 23  
Scripture: Luke 1

THANK God for Luke! And that long, wonderful first chapter of his Gospel! What a story it is—that wonder-story of the coming of the Christ-child, and of the meaning of His coming to the world! "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men" (Chapter 2).

We are so familiar with that story that perhaps we lose some of its full significance. We can hardly picture a world without Christ and the Christmas story, and yet it is only as we think of a world without Christmas that we can realize what the coming of Jesus meant to the world.

Much has been said about the materializing and the paganism of the Christmas. It is true that for many persons Christmas is merely a joyous festival, with little relation to the first Christmas or the Christ. Some even make it a time of carousing, or of pleasure-seeking. But only those get the true joy of Christmas who celebrate it as the birthday of the Babe who came to manifest the divine in the human, to live our earthly life that He might bring us near to God.

All around us we see a world of sin, full of cruelty and unkindness, of man's inhumanity to man, and man's disregard and forgetfulness of God. This is not the world as God intends it should be. He sent the Christ to Bethlehem to save men, and to teach them a better way.

The burden of the world's sin and sorrow must weigh heavily upon all who love the Christ, as it weighed heavily upon Him. But we must not allow the darkness of the world to shut out its true Light. Just because the world is sad and sinful, there is all the more need of Christ, and all the more need of rejoicing in Him. Christmas is the one bright fact in a world that is still very black with war and strife.

Smith will deliver the messages on the third Sundays of each month. The public is invited to attend.

## Full Gospel Church

Booker, Texas  
Raymond and Marian Campbell, Pastors  
Sunday School, 10 a. m.  
Morning Worship, 11 a. m.  
Evangelistic Service, 3:00 p. m.  
Wednesday evening prayer meeting, 8:00 p. m.  
Everyone is cordially invited to attend all services.

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## Christian Science

"Is the Universe, including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 23.

The Golden Text is: "Sing unto the Lord, all the earth; show forth His glory among the heathen; His marvellous works among all nations" (1 Chronicles 16:23,24).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "I do not have a sword for myself; they have shown forth my peace" (Isaiah 49:2).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "God—His own infinite Mind, and expresses all" (page 419).

## Church of Christ

421 S. E. Second Street  
Lee E. Rawlings, Minister  
Bible School, 9:45 a. m.  
Worship and Sermon—10:45 a. m.  
Sermon Subject: "Peacemakers."  
Young People's Class 6:30 p. m.  
Evening Worship and Sermon, 9 p. m.  
Sermon Subject: "The Last Chord"

## in the Angel's Song.

Wednesday—  
Mid-week service 7:30 p. m.  
Subject: "Church Discipline."  
Thursday—  
Ladies' Bible Class 3:30 p. m.  
Studies in the Gospel of Luke.

## Baptist Church

E. C. Curtis, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m.  
Training Union, 6:30 p. m.  
Evening Worship, 7:30 p. m.  
Wednesday—  
Prayer meeting, 7:00 p. m.  
Choir Practice 8:00 p. m.  
Thursday—  
W. M. S., 3:30 p. m.

## Methodist Church

W. S. Carter, L. Thurston, Minister  
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
Morning Worship 10:55 a. m.  
Methodist South Fellowship meeting, Senior and Intermediate—7:00 p. m.  
Evening Worship, 8:00 p. m.  
Wednesday—  
Group Meetings 7:30 p. m.  
Thursday—  
W. S. C. S., 8:00 p. m.  
Choir rehearsal 8:00 p. m.  
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## Lone Tree Services

R. L. Showalter, Pastor  
Sunday School—10 a. m.  
Worship Service 11 a. m.  
Night Service—7 p. m.

## Waka Brethren

"The Church of the Brethren"  
Waka, Texas  
P. E. Rhine, Pastor  
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a. m.—Morning Worship.  
7:00 p. m.—Song services and Bible study for children.  
7:30 p. m.—Evening Worship.  
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## Be Prepared for Those Traditional Holiday 'Drop-Ins'

There are so many occasions during the holidays, when company comes and "a bite to eat" is in order. Old friends may drop over for a visit, perhaps to see a serviceman who has just come home. On Christmas Eve, the family may join a caroling party (which is sure to be followed by a warming-up around the fire) . . . or perhaps you'll have a few intimate friends in to help trim the Christmas tree and see it lighted for the first time.

These informal occasions call for something less than a meal, but it may vary from a simple snack to some more substantial food. With a little forethought, the hostess can win the reputation of always having the right thing on hand to serve.

Thin slices of fruit cake and hot coffee, or dainty Christmas cookies and hot chocolate, are sure to please any guests at any hour. For variety, hot fruit juice or hot spiced punch may be the beverage; this goes especially well with not-too-sweet cookies. Small mince meat tarts or turnovers are mighty tasty, too!

For a heartier lunch, sandwiches are the standby. Cold meat sandwiches with hot tomato juice will receive an enthusiastic welcome. Hot toasted or grilled sandwiches served with coffee, are satisfying particularly if they are made with meat. For these a sandwich filling of chopped cooked meat or a devilled meat spread may be kept ready

in the refrigerator. Bacon makes scrumptious sandwiches of the openface type. It may be combined with a number of other foods—such as can cheese, peanut butter, beans, or tomatoes.

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land . . . but, most of all, that blessed feeling of peace and security and hope for the future that is now ours to enjoy.

Yes, this Christmas is indeed one to live long in memory. If our service is helping to make the occasion brighter and more enjoyable, we are glad.

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Merry Christmas to you all!

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## Change Made in Celebrating Day

New Year's became a holiday long after the American custom of New Year's calls, which justify its observance, had gone the way of the hoop skirt and the polka. There is nothing American about the carnival-like merrymaking which nowadays welcomes the New Year. Or can it be that even this is a metamorphosis of the watchnight meeting of 40 years or more ago? To deacons and elders, to all anxious heads of families, it used to seem fitting to spend the last three hours of the year in singing lugubrious hymns and giving thanks that they had been singled out for preservation.



Ring in the New Year.

tion when so many had been removed by an equally discerning providence.

But to the young the watchnight meeting was a dreary service, only to be endured in view of the joys of the morrow. And when the life and color were taken out of the observance of New Year's itself, there seemed little sense in ushering in a day of gloom with a still gloomier New Year's Eve. So they left the watchmeeting to those who found no more pleasure in their days, and for themselves introduced the practice now generally prevalent of indulging in a last fling in preparation for the morrow's disagreeable business of turning over a new leaf.

They have revived the old pagan ceremony, except that no miniature skeletons are passed around at the feast to remind them that they are mortal. Nothing in this modern New Year's Eve observance, however, commends it as a substitute for the old gracious custom of paying and receiving calls, a custom for which desuetude was hastened by the prodigious growth of the large cities in the 25 years following the Civil war.

Mrs. Ivan Lovett has returned from Hot Springs after several weeks treatment and baths.

## A 'SHORT-SHORT' NEW YEAR'S STORY

"Gee, it's funny how that habit which the folks instill in us during childhood helps when stranded in a big city of strangers where I know no one in particular," Netta Carson reflected as she mused over the evening newspaper.

That habit which had become so much to the Carson family was to do—or resolve to do—a good deed for someone during New Year's Day.

In recalling her life at home, she came on an idea and then jumped to the practical application. Netta Carson sat down at her desk and took a fountain pen in hand. She wrote to the owner of the office building in which she worked. Her purpose was to tell him about the wonderful service Jed, the diminutive elevator boy, was giving, though none of the other building tenants took the time to appreciate it. It



New Year—New World.

was almost a month later when Jed stopped and thanked her and informed her that he had received a two dollar raise on the strength of her praise and appreciation of him.

Another letter written to the chief of police, which praised the officer on the beat near where her rooming house was located, she discovered, was responsible for the officer receiving a promotion.

A note to the head of the department store where she bought her stockings and other fineries of life, praising the timid little sales girl at the glove counter, resulted in the girl being moved to a better counter—not to mention a raise in pay.

During the course of that New Year's Day she wrote and mailed about two dozen such thank-you letters to firms, officers and other employers. Thanking them for folks that other folks appreciate, too, but never seem to find time to thank.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stephenson, Don and Bill, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson's parents at Happy, Texas.

## Christmas QUIZ

1. The national Christmas tree of America is located in (a) Indiana, (b) New York, (c) California, (d) Texas. ☐

2. The poinsettia plant owes its name to (a) Stanley Coulter, (b) Howard E. Enders, (c) James Madison, (d) Joel Roberts Poinsett. ☐

3. Mothers in America are overwhelmingly agreed that they (a) should, (b) should not teach their children to believe ☐ in Santa Claus.

4. The nation's Christmas tree was dedicated on Christmas day (a) 1918, (b) 1925, (c) 1935, (d) 1940. ☐

5. If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas day, there will be (a) good, (b) medium, (c) bad crops the following year. ☐

6. A warm Christmas gives a (a) cold, (b) warm, (c) hot, (d) cool Easter. ☐

7. There are (a) 4, (b) 100, (c) 450, (d) 800 varieties of mistletoe grown in the various parts of the world. ☐

8. The mistletoe is the state flower of (a) Florida, (b) Delaware, (c) Oklahoma, (d) Mississippi. ☐

9. New England mistletoe is so small that botanists overlooked it until (a) 1776, (b) 1871, (c) 1900, (d) 1920. ☐

10. Rings of mistletoe were worn around the neck to prevent sickness in (a) Denmark, (b) France, (c) Spain, (d) Sweden. ☐

ANSWERS:

1. (c) California.

2. (d) Joel Roberts Poinsett.

3. (a) Should.

4. (b) 1925.

5. (a) Good.

6. (a) Cold.

7. (d) 800.

8. (c) Oklahoma.

9. (b) 1871.

10. (d) Sweden.

Rating: 50-100, a genius; 80-90, excellent; 70-80, good; 50-70, fair; less than 50, you be the judge.

Each correct answer counts a score of 10 points. Correct your own answers.

Miss Mary Kathryn Allen, Amarillo was in Perryton Thursday and Friday visiting with her parents Judge and Mrs. Jack R. Allen, and with her brother, Jack Morris Allen who has just received his discharge from the Army.

Misses Mary Lou Rupprecht, Yvonne Trollinger, Norma and Ann Thurston arrived home last week end from T. W. C. Fort Worth to spend the holidays with home folks.

## Christmas Stars Tell a Story

### Birth of Universe, Growth Shown in Heavens.

The stars at Christmas have a story of their own to tell of creation—the story that gradually is becoming better understood by astronomers.

It is the story of the birth and growth of our galaxy which we recognize as the Milky Way and which includes our sun with the earth and other planets.

Recent calculations show that the galaxy, measured in the time scale of its own years, is very youthful and is approaching its 12th year.

But that does not mean 12 years in our time. Rather it is made up of years in which each is the period in which a rotating body completes one circuit around a central mass. Our galaxy is rotating around its central mass. Our sun, out near the edge of the galaxy, is moving along with the rest of the stars in the disc-shaped system and is doing so at a rate which enables it to make a circuit of its orbit in about 250,000,000 earth years.

Clear, moonless, winter nights furnish a good opportunity for viewing the Milky Way and visualizing our position in it and its relation to the rest of the universe.

On Christmas night the moon will be half way between first quarter and full moon, reaching the latter state on December 29. The dark new moon comes on January 14, so after the first week in January there will be a period in which the moon will not interfere with star gazing during the first half of the night.

## Origin of Stockings And Shoes for Gifts

Why have stockings come to be the traditional receptacles for family Christmas gifts?

Although historians can give no completely authentic answer, they point out that children's stockings are usually hung by the chimney to keep warm or dry out, so it was natural that Santa



Claus should pick them as the place in which to deposit gifts.

In certain regions of France it is the shoe that is put out on Christmas Eve. Some authorities say that shoes and stockings were put near the fireplace for the same reason that an old boot was associated with a wedding—in order to bring good luck and drive away evil spirits.

One Christmas story stresses the good luck feature. St. Nicholas, it is related, once dropped a purse down a chimney. Instead of falling on the hearth, the purse dropped into a stocking, and ever since then the happy custom of filling the Christmas stocking has been universally popular.

Mrs. B. L. Barnes was an Amarillo visitor last week.

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## Speed Up Building Program at WSTC

CANYON — Board of Regents members of West Texas State, in a special meeting here, have ordered all possible speed in the college's building program. Total cost of contemplated construction will exceed \$600,000, according to President J. A. Hill.

C. S. Lambie of Amarillo was given an \$80,000 contract to complete an annex to Randall Hall for girls. Work will start at once. Brick will be used instead of the stone contemplated at the time work was interrupted by the war. The new unit will house 100 girls and will include a dining hall.

Drawing of plans for a new dormitory for girls facing Cousins Hall, to house 125 girls; a new unit at Stafford Hall to house 90 men; and a unit to increase the capacity of Terrill Hall to 100 men, will be pushed with utmost speed, Dr. Hill said. Regents are expected to award contracts on this construction in February.

The dormitories, with the exception of the Randall Hall, will be financed by bonds based on the pledged revenues of the boarding places.

The Regents recognized West Texas State's need of a library building, a new gymnasium, and a home for the president. These needs will be placed before the next session of the Texas legislature.

Several hundred students who wished to attend West Texas State this year were unable to find boarding accommodations.

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Let us be thankful for Christmas and the things for which it stands. Let us be thankful for fine associations, loyal friends . . . let us give thanks for a high standard of living that makes it possible for us to get the fullest enjoyment out of life.

That part of Christmas so frequently minimized is its religious significance. This is the birthday of Him who taught Faith, Hope and Charity.

Let us not forget to find time to be thankful, to sing praises to Him for the blessings received. As we celebrate this 1945 Christmas day in a nation again at peace, let us celebrate it with a deep thankfulness in our hearts and a prayer that we may enjoy this significant occasion for many many more years to come.





Her lips said "No!" Her arms said "Yes!" Your hearts will cry "Oh, baby!" The racy, embroiled story of a hard to please guy, a girl who lived and yearned... and a naughty imp (the Nixie) with the daring Lee Bowman, "She Wouldn't Say Yes," playing Sunday and Monday at the Ellis. It's the love of a love story that's all in fun... and fun for all. Adele Jergens, Charles Winninger, Harry Davenport and Sara Hayden are featured.

San Angelo, and will convert the polo field into a rodeo arena and race track. He plans to board and train horses for polo, racing and saddle riding.

KERMIT proposes a \$375,000 bond election for a Winkler County Hospital... A 4-H CLUB is being organized in Ozona, Crockett County, under supervision of County Agent Tommie Stuart... The WINTERS Chamber of Commerce has formed a Rodeo Assn. to hold annual shows on behalf of its local athletic fund...

FOREIGN WAR VETS are organizing a Post in Hollis, Okla... LEVELLAND proposes to petition for paving bonds in January for local streets... The Farmers Co-Op of Freedom, Okla., will erect a \$50,000 elevator... ROCKSPRINGS is erecting a Memorial Hall, sponsored by the American Legion... ANDREWS announces a \$600,000 building program for 1946 in addition to oil development which is expected to total ten million... MULESHOE votes this week on \$150,000 bond issue for city improvements... The DALLAS Chamber of Commerce cancels all conventions until June, 1946, to afford hotel accommodations for business visitors.

The 600 members of Hale Center's Co-Op Hospital have named Walter Struve its president... Thirty-five STANTON citizens wrote checks for \$75 each to launch its co-op hospital campaign... With 85 per cent of its cotton picked, WELLINGTON reports 15,500 bales ginned to date.

Chamber of Commerce plans to launch an advertising and publicity campaign on sugar beets and other resources suitable for industrial development.

J. C. ELLIFF, Tulsa dairyman, recently sold a Jersey bull for \$17,000 to set a new record price in Texas... Eastern New Mexico College has been granted 100 family dwelling units from Fort Sumner Army Air Base which include 20 buildings, each containing five apartments for veterans planning to attend the Portales, N. M. school...

SAYRE, Okla., public schools have been approved as training establishments for veterans in "On the Job Training" programs.

Ground was broken Saturday for a Co-Op hospital in CROSBYTON... MONAHANS announces construction of a plant to manufacture tile and brick... WACO has a new slant on prohibition as another wet-dry election looms. It is claimed the wet voted the city dry in the last election as a protest against liquor dealers who sold from under the counter to good customers while denying the run-of-the-mill trade good whisky. Dealers have promised to behave if the city goes wet again.

McCAMEY has voted for a \$200,000 school bond issue... ED C. MAYFIELD and son, Stanley, have purchased the former Bevans in Hudspeth County for a sum of over \$200,000. The ranch contains approximately 75,000 acres... P. G. STANFORD and C. A. AMEEN, Plains residents, have donated a site to that city for a Memorial Park. Donations of trees and equipment, a swimming pool and other improvements are planned.

CLAUDE TRIPLETT is the new president of the Sayre, Okla., Chamber of Commerce... Forty-five women attended the annual Home Demonstration Officers' luncheon in Sayre last week, representing 15 clubs and one of the most active organizations in the "Sooner" State.

From Jan. 1 to Dec. 2, 12,561 cars and 51,019 visitors have attended Palo Duro State Park this year... Some newspapers erred in saying a Kansas City bank owned the park. The State of Texas owns the property but the Commerce Trust Company holds first and second liens on the 15,000-odd acres of scenic beauty and have announced they would foreclose in 1946, unless the indebtedness is paid, to prevent outlaw... Forty-eight Terry County 4-H Club boys are feeding 81 calves to be exhibited next spring at the Brownfield Jaycee show... DONLEY COUNTY dairymen have purchased O. L. (Ted) Taylor's Holstein herd of 50 cows and an additional 15 head of Jerseys... HARD-EMAN COUNTY, with a balance of \$78,965.81 is in better financial shape than in years, according to its county treasurer.

HONEST BILL MILLER, editor of the Spearman Reporter, has found a method which is sure-fire in securing hotel reservations. Making a hurried trip to Washington, D. C. last week, Miller wired Congressman Eugene Worley to reserve him a room or make plans for him to sleep in the congressman's office. The reservation was confirmed within the hour.

MANGUM, Okla., has announced plans for a new Legion Home... HOCKLEY COUNTY will start its 30-mile road program shortly after Jan. 1... FLOYDADA has been donated a site for a county memorial hospital by W. M. Massie, pioneer citizen.

REASY REA is the new assistant county agent at Clayton, N. M. Only four votes were polled against the Dumas \$225,000 county hospital bond issue with 228 in favor... PADUCAH hunters are making \$150 every time they shoot a coyote.

A. R. BATEMAN has resigned as county agent of Deaf Smith County to become associated with Walter David in operating a four-section farm near Hereford... MIKE GRAY is the new Hooker, Okla., Chamber of Commerce president.

CHEYENNE, Okla., announces a 464 mile road program for Roger Mills County... FIRE burned 1,000 acres of the 6666 Ranch last week in Carson County. It started from sparks from a passing train.

FACTS 'N THINGS

The United States Department of Agriculture reports show that in 1944 Texas produced 4,406,000,000 pounds of milk valued at \$143,662,000, and stands 10th when compared to other states... COTTON ranks first in value of Texas crops, since farmers receive an average of \$256,000,000 annually for the five year period 1939-1943 from the sale of lint and seed or approximately 60 per cent of cash income from all crops, or first in the nation... In 1944 a record grain sorghum crop for Texas was reported when 96,724,000 bushels were produced... Wheat acreage harvested in Texas ranks third in the Nation, running behind Kansas and Oklahoma. A record crop of 74,746,000 bushels or

an average of 19 bushels per acre was recorded last year. And, if you like figures, 42,400 acres of spinach netted Texas farmers \$4,275,000 in 1944, a lot of Pop-Eye fodder for anyone!

Now our American

## Famous Artist Sketched First Santa for U. S.

Thomas Nast Credited With Pictorializing Famous Character In 1873.

Thomas Nast, the famous cartoonist who created our conception of Uncle Sam, the Republican elephant and the Democratic donkey, is also credited with giving America its first modern pictorialization of Santa Claus.

Nast first sketched his notion of Santa Claus in 1873. This Santa was a rollicking, chubby old man smoking a pipe and dressed in what looked like a night shirt with fur collar and cuffs. Since that day he has grown taller and rounder, has developed a full white beard and mustache and above all has acquired the traditional red suit bordered in ermine.

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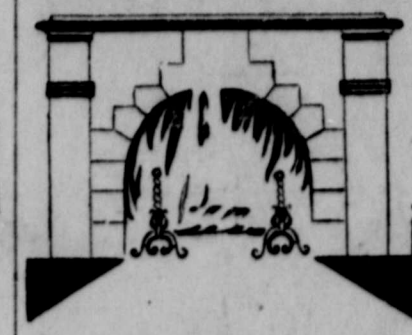
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Dutch settlers... and renamed it New York caught on to this wonderful man. The English moved his yearly visit from December 6 to New Year's Eve.

Germans coming to America brought their Christmas customs; Christmas trees and Christmas candles burned in honor of the Christ Child, whom the German children called "Kris Kringle."

At about the time that these festivities were making Christmas Day important, families beginning to spread across the country chose this celebration as a day of reunion. Thus the Dutch figure of Santa Claus, the German traditions of Christmas and the English season of celebration became combined in one single holiday.

Arbitrary Prices

A couple of prominent American oil men took healthy swings lately at the arbitrary price structures under which their industry is operating. What they had to say deserves consideration.

Walter S. Hallanan, himself a leading independent producer, says that while the end of the war presents an opportunity to the independent, he cannot continue to operate without a free market.

The number of dry holes drilled for each producing well has multiplied threefold since we last operated under a peacetime economy, he points out.

Mason Nixon, president of the

Fine Printing at reasonable prices at Stewart's.

Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association, also makes a strong case for the independent.

"The civilian user of gasoline," he says, "has paid the prewar prices at the pump for a gallon that constantly has contained four quarts. It hasn't been trimmed like our shirt tails nor many other things we buy. High wartime costs of oil production have been absorbed by the crude producer, but now he is faced with prewar allowances and prices. He must, however, retain wartime costs to find and produce oil. The independent producer will be wiped out in the immediate postwar adjustment unless he gets relief at once."

We have done no cost accounting on the merits or demerits of what these gentlemen have to say, but it's a safe assumption that they know what they are talking about.

The point we want to make is that the lot of the independent business man these days is far from happy. His opportunity always has rested upon an open competitive market where his chance for success was based upon his own initiative and ability. Controls and arbitrary prices hurt him worse than they do anyone else.

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## Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

The message of good will that emanated from Bethlehem 2,000 years ago not only transforms the world at Christmas but is the foundation of every honest transaction. Your good will has been a priceless asset to us during 1945. We thank you for the confidence you have placed in us and wish you the manifold blessings of a Happy Yuletide.

Perryton Cleaners

SUNDAY-MONDAY  
DECEMBER 23-24

Rosalind Russell, Lee Bowman, Adele Jergens,  
Charles Davenport and Sara Haden

"She Wouldn't Say Yes"

THURSDAY-FRIDAY  
DECEMBER 27-28

Robert Donat and Deborah Kerr

"Vacation From Marriage"

Greetings of  
the Season

May this Christmas be a season of good cheer, friendliness, and hopes fulfilled. May the unsuppressable mirth of eager youngsters the crackling warmth of the early Yule log, and the invigorating scent of holly and pine, make this Yuletide a truly pleasurable one for you, your families, and your friends... and may the New Year bring you happiness and contentment.

Our Annual New Year's Resolution: To again bring theatre-goers of this community the biggest and best film offerings of the theatre industry in 1946.

# ELLIS THEATRE





AT FUKUOKA—Pfc. Charles Peckenpaugh writes from Fukuoka, Japan, that his Infantry Company is attached to a Military Police unit. His duties consist of guarding off-limit areas, motor patrol, foot patrol and movie patrol. He reports that recreation facilities are ample and that general conditions are good. Charles entered service January 31, 1945, at Oklahoma City, Okla., and went overseas in November. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Peckenpaugh of this city.

### Red Cross Adopts Resolution Dec. 12

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The American Red Cross Central Committee on Dec. 12, adopted the following resolution:

"Harm has been done to the American Red Cross by inaccurate references to the memorandum of understanding between the united nations relief of the A. P. of L., the national CIO war relief committee, and the Red Cross. This agreement was originally entered into in 1942 and has been subscribed to each year by the Central Committee and renewed as recently as April 15, 1945. The present understanding runs until May 1, 1946, and will, of course, govern throughout the forthcoming campaign for funds which will take place next March. In view of that fact, the Central Committee will consider its future course together with representative of these organizations in the light of conditions as they exist at that time."

**SELL with  
WANT-ADS**

### What Is Christmas Without Toys?



There is no shortage of toys, although the trend has been toward mechanical or educational types. Dolls have not been forgotten, however.

### Health Champs



4-H Club health champions, chosen at the 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, are Eleanor Chapman, 17, left, Centerberg, O.; Louise Hale, 17, Randlett, Okla.; John H. Savoy, 17, Cameron, La.; Harris Reinboldt, 16, Marshall, Minn.

HERALD CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS!

### HOLIDAY TRIP

By Ethel M. Parkinson



MISS SCHULTZ had the train practically to herself until the stop near the post where the soldiers and girls tarried on. They were a typical holiday crowd, going to Chicago for the Christmas weekend.

Miss Schultz moved over near her window, and hoped some soldier would sit down and talk to her. One by one they glanced at the vacant seat beside her and went on. She had given up when a young voice said, "May I sit here, please?"

The soldier was stocky, dark and nice looking. Miss Schultz smiled. "If you wouldn't rather be back with the young folks."

He grinned and sat down. "You're not so old. Besides, I'm lonely. I have no folks except Elise, the girl I'm going to marry. She's an Army nurse, in France now."

"That's difficult," Miss Schultz said. "You've seen action, I observe."

"Well, not as much as some of the fellows. At Guadalcanal I got shrapnel in my leg. After Tarawa, I had malaria. At Saipan, I got a chest wound. But I'm going to be good as new for Tokyo!"

"And you're still a private!" "It's O. K. Can't all be generals. Only a few extra bonds wouldn't hurt. You see, I was working my way through school when this began, and Elise was still in training so we haven't anything saved."

"I might introduce myself," she said. "I'm Miss Hedwig Schultz. I was retired as a Home Economics teacher, but now I'm back."

"Hedwig!" the boy laughed. "I guess 'Hedy' is short for that. Going home for Christmas?"

Miss Schultz shook her head. "I'm like you. No folks. The truth is, I'm going to Chicago on a hunch. Ever hear of the Al Joy quiz program?"

It's a good place for a soldier to make a little money, sometimes.



"Well, I'll be jiggered."

I've sent them a question, and I've a hunch they're going to use it. If they do, I'd like to be there."

"But—lots of people send questions."

"Mine is good," she said. "It's a catch question."

"I'll just bet!" he laughed. "Keep my place! I'll get us some candy bars."

She heard a girl ask, "Say, soldier, what's she got that I haven't got?"

"Me!" Dan said good-naturedly. He offered Miss Schultz the candy. She reached for one, then dropped her hand to her lap. "I almost forgot," she laughed. "No sweets in my diet. People think diabetics have always eaten too much sugar. It isn't true. Diabetes is caused by a disturbance of the islands of Langerhans. They're cell groups in the pancreas. They control sugar metabolism in the body."

"Well, I'll be jiggered!"

Before they parted Dan said, "Miss Schultz, I enjoyed the ride. Hope I'll see you again."

After dinner she hurried to the broadcasting station. The studio was decorated for Christmas. She started as she saw that Private Dan Monroe had been chosen as one of the contestants.

One by one the others were eliminated. Dan stood alone. "And now for the jackpot question," the announcer said. "Five hundred thirty-four dollars! Could you use that, soldier?"

"Could I?"

"How may I ask?"

"Well, I've got a girl..." Applause drowned his voice.

"Let me warn you," the announcer said, "this is a catch question. But you've been around a lot. Where are the islands of Langerhans?"

Miss Schultz held her breath until Dan said clearly, "The islands of Langerhans are situated in the pancreas, sir."

Everyone whooped. Miss Schultz scarcely heard "... a one-hundred dollar bond will be mailed to Miss Hedwig Schultz."

Later, a soldier called, "Merry Christmas, Hedy." He threw his arms around her and gave her a great big kiss. "Look, Hedy, I'll buy you a sundae—the biggest, ooziest, goo-est, sweetest—oh—oh! You can't eat it—or can you?"

Miss Schultz winked roguishly. See if I can't!" she said.

Earliest record of the use of the word garage in the English language seems to be in 1909.

Office Supplies at Herald office!

### Santa Letters

Perryton, Texas  
R. R. 1

Dear Santa,

Marjorie wants a sleeping doll and a big story book. Howard wants a gun and holster set and a tractor with a plow. I want a baby doll and some checkers and a checker board. We all want a football. We want some oranges and candy and nuts and apples. Don't forget all the other boys and girls.

Love always,

Marjorie, Howard and  
Donna Swink

Perryton, Texas  
December 14, 1945

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a train, airplane with a stair, a bride doll, milk wagon, monkey, some farm animals, a cookie jar and a Mickey Mouse.

Your little friend,  
Mary Lou Jacquot

Perryton, Texas  
December 10, 1945

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl three years old and I've been good. Please bring me a dolly, a bracelet, some dishes and candy and nuts. Don't forget my sister, Jerrylee and my little brother Danny Roy.

Thank you,  
Joyce Ann Overton

December 11, 1945

Dear Santa,  
I want a watch for Christmas. Please come to the party at the station.

Your friend,  
Barbara Bohling

Perryton, Texas  
December 10, 1945

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl four years old and I've been very good. Please bring me a dolly, a bracelet, some dishes and lots of candy and nuts. Also bring some toys to my little sister, Joyce Ann, and my little brother Danny Roy.

Thank you,  
Jerrylee Overton

Dalhart, Texas  
December 12, 1945

Dear Santa,

We are little boys of five and six years of age and have tried to be good. We want a gun, a piece and a little car if you have one.

Be sure to bring some fruit and candy.

Love from your little boys,  
C. W. and Roy Matthews

Dalhart, Texas  
December 12, 1945

Dear Santa,

Please bring my little brother and I a car and some blocks. We want some candy, apples and oranges too.

Our love to Santa,  
Erwyn Keith and Roland Gene Matthews



Herald Classified Ads Get Results

peace on earth  
good will toward men

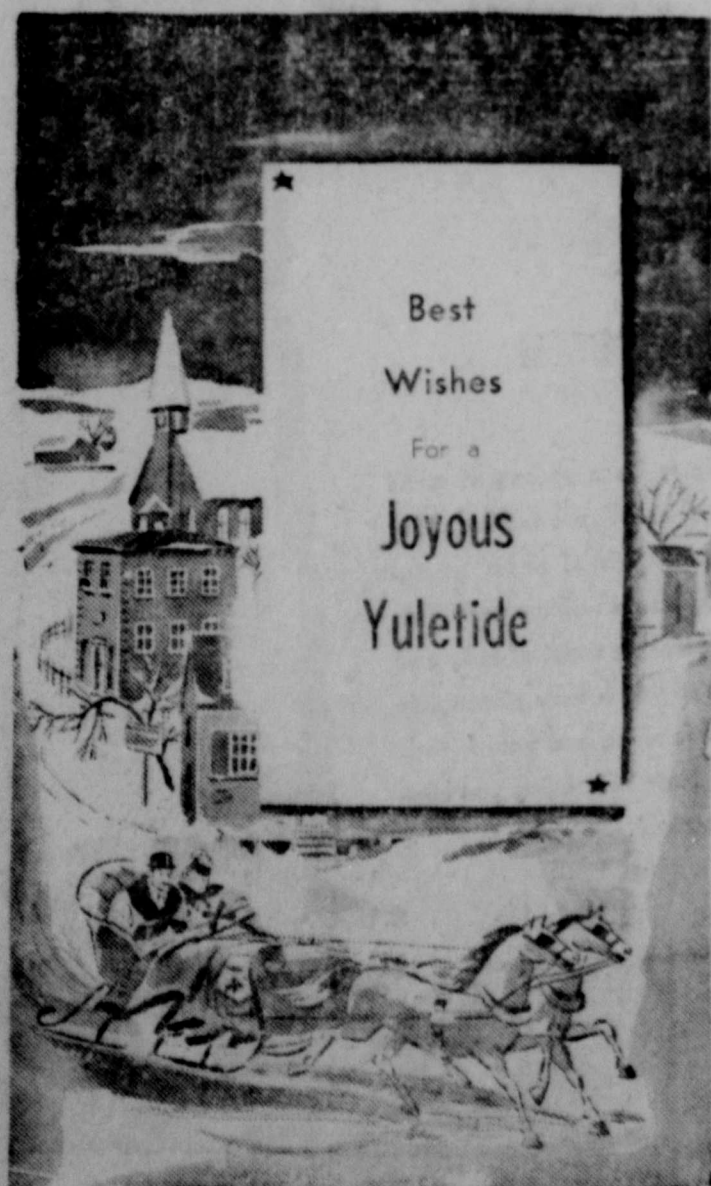
Many are the prayers in our hearts this Christmas day. Some pray for the restored health of a stricken loved one. Some pray for the return of child, husband or beloved far from home.

Some wish for security against the dangers with which life can be fraught. Others look forward in a hope that for all the peoples of the world, suffering of all kinds may one day be ended, through the achievements of science, education, and true spiritual awareness among all mankind.

To all of you whose prayers and good hopes spring from deephearted zealotness we say "May those prayers be answered on this Christmas Day—and for all the days to follow..."

**Western Auto Associate Store**

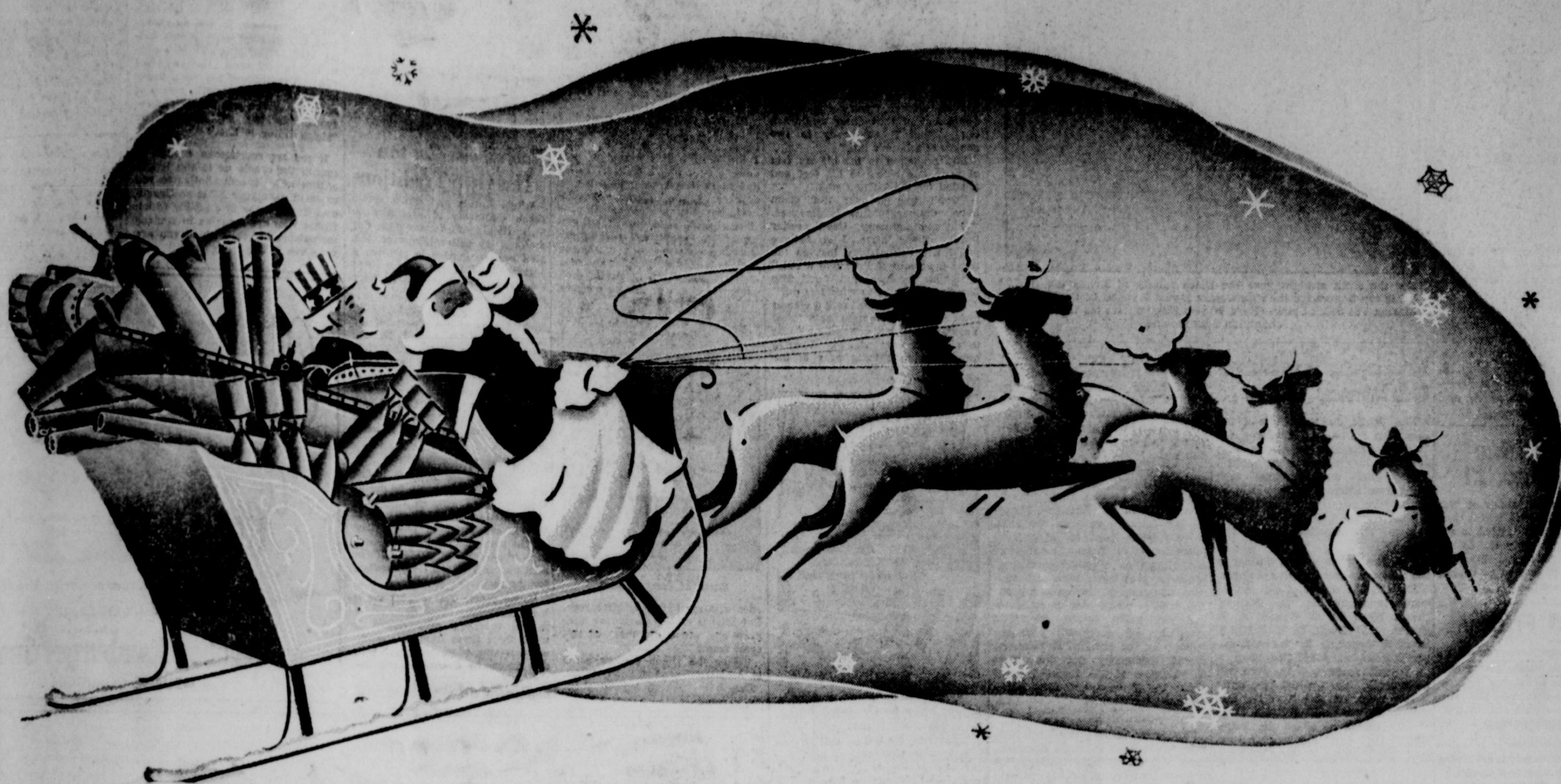
Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Gaither—Charles Kennell—Eleanor Jennrick



There is no better wish that we could hold for you, our friends, than that something of the happy friendliness which you have brought to us with your many kindnesses and courtesies throughout the past years, be yours at this Christmas season. May the New Year bring you health, happiness and prosperity.

Dr. O'Dell Ryan





# Christmas .... and Peace

Two thousand years ago, when an arrogant "Master State" was trampling over innocent countries, draining them of their life blood, enslaving their peoples . . . then was born the Prince of Peace. Hope was reborn into the hearts of men. Today, history repeats itself. Another empire of wickedness and hate has crumbled, and the little peoples have raised their eyes to a new dawn . . . of Peace and Brotherhood. Let us face the future resolved that "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" may be everlasting.

**The Officers and Members of this Institution Extend Our Heartiest Wishes  
for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

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The American Red Cross will provide workers in veterans hospitals, upon request of the managers, to promote, stimulate, and coordinate all Red Cross volunteer services in these hospitals.

Pop mugged to lift his six feet of bone and sinew to his feet and headed for the kitchen sink.

"Don't you go usin' that clean towel, neither," Maw admonished.

"That's for company. Use the roller towel. Sakes alive, I do believe you'd wipe your dirty feet on the front door mat if I'd leave it out."

"What's a door mat for," Pop flared, "if it ain't to wipe feet on?"

Pop gave the roller towel a vicious jerk. "Y'know tonight bein' New Year's Eve, Maw, you 'nd me ought to step out somewheres. They're having a big shindig over at the

I did drop a few purses of gold down a poor man's chimney so his daughters could be supplied with dowries. European countries celebrate my liturgical Feast Day—December 6—as a day of gift-giving and for centuries I rode across Europe on my old gray mare; my pockets bulged with apples and nuts and trinkets, which I gave to good children while switching the naughty.

Young people who are anxious to learn something about their matrimonial prospects are advised to drink three times from nine different fountains, when the church bells are ringing on Christmas Eve and they will then behold their future mate standing at the church door.

Red Cross provides national service to veterans through district and chapter branches located in approximately 9,000 communities in United States insular possessions and territories.

## Rainbow Hamburger Shop

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## Flavor Christmas Enriches Life

### Are Robbed Who Have Quickened To Its Thrill.

A very special flavor Christmas which has nothing to do with the giving and getting of presents and which depends only on the adult who can keep this season from being robbed of its true meaning by the materialism of the season has kept a part of the season alive and can still give which the season holds.

Who has experienced the joy of Christmas will all agree upon the season with joy. His senses will be quickened by the smell of evergreen, the crackle of holly and the people loaded down with parcels.

The full flavor there must be hidden packages, whispered consultations. There is increased tension until the time when the frantic effort, that the time may pass, or the determination to see and peep for a sight.

Christmas has become too much of a burden instead of a joy. Everyone decides not to celebrate this year, but have been robbed of one of the joys of childhood.

Enriched and quickened by a break in the procedure of existence, and the season offers the greatest possibility such a break is the feast of solstice, when the harvest and the spring not yet the feast of Christmas.

Financial aid to veterans' families has increased 100 per cent in the past year, the heavy increase in dis-

## Switzerland Kept Xmas for Refugees

Switzerland "kept" Christmas last year for the 20,000 refugee children who were being cared for within her borders as Europe celebrated its sixth wartime Christmas.

From France and Belgium, from Holland, Italy, Hungary, Poland, Czechoslovakia, and far distant Greece they had come—many of them orphans, many children without a country—traversing Europe by circuitous routes. Guided by near-



Toys for refugee tots.

ants, Red Cross workers, Wehrmacht guards, and older children they arrived on foot, herded in cattle cars, traveling in groups.

A fraction of the millions of innocent victims of World War II, these refugee children were supposed to remain only two or three months so as to give other youngsters a chance to recuperate in neutral Switzerland. But in many cases, repatriation was delayed—parents were scattered or dead, battles still raged in areas whence the children had come, so they were allowed to remain and Switzerland, crowding them to her bosom, welcomed many, many others.

Services to veterans available through your Red Cross chapter include information, consultation, guidance in personal and family problems, including financial assistance, assistance in obtaining government benefits, and referrals when special resources of other agencies are needed.

Send a Birthday Card from the Stewart Printing Co.

## The End of the Play

by William M. Chackarav

The play is done; the curtain drops. Slow falling, to the prompter's bell.

A moment yet the actor stops. And looks around to say farewell. It is an irksome word and task.

And when he's laughed and said his say.

He shows as he removes the mask. A face that's anything but gay.

One word, ere yet the evening ends. Let's close it with a parting rhyme.

And pledge a hand to all young friends. As fits the merry Christmas time.

On Life's wide scene you, too, have parts. That Fate ere long shall bid you play.

Goodnight! with honest, gentle hearts. A kindly greeting go away.

Come wealth or want, come good or ill. Let young and old accept their part.

And bow before the Awful Will. And bear it with an honest heart.

Who misses, or who wins the prize. Go, lose or conquer, if you can; But if you fail or if you rise.

Be each, pray God, a gentleman. A gentleman or old or young!

(Bear kindly with my humble lays)

The sacred chorus first was sung Upon the first of Christmas days.

The shepherds heard it overhead—The joyful angels raised it then: Glory to heaven on high, it said.

And peace on earth to gentle men. My song, same this, it little worth: I lay the weary pen aside.

And wish you health and love and mirth. As fits the holy Christmas-tide As fits the holy Christmas birth.

Be this, good friends, our carol still— Be peace on earth, be peace on earth. To men of gentle will.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS!

## Veterans' SERVICE BUREAU

EDITOR'S NOTE: This newspaper, through special arrangement with the Washington Bureau of Western Newspaper Union at 1615 Eye Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., is able to bring readers this weekly column on problems of the veteran and serviceman and his family. Questions may be addressed to the above Bureau and they will be answered in a subsequent column. No replies can be made direct by mail, but only in the column which will appear in this newspaper regularly.

### Regional Expansion

In line with the Veterans administration's objective of taking the administration out to the "grass-roots" of the country, rather than centralizing the organization in Washington, Administrator Omar N. Bradley has announced the opening of 21 new centrally-located regional offices and the contracting for approximately 300 advisers centers.

Regional downtown offices were opened in Des Moines, Wichita, Atlanta, Minneapolis, San Francisco, Portland, Indianapolis, Los Angeles, Muskogee, Okla., Phoenix, Helena, Mont., Detroit, Milwaukee, Cleveland, Chicago, Newark, Hartford, Charleston, W. Va., and Charlotte, N. C.

New advisers centers were opened at Greenville, S. C.; Benedict college, Columbia, S. C.; University of Kansas at Kansas City, Mo.; Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Ala.; Eastern Oregon college at La Grande, Ore., and Superior State Teachers college, Superior, Wis. Services of the advisers centers are available to all veterans planning to continue their education or take vocational or rehabilitation training either under public law 16 or the G.I. bill of rights.

Regional offices function as the operational offices of the administration. Individual case records are maintained at these offices and claims are rated and adjudicated. Almost all benefits administered by the administration can be handled at the regional office level.

### Questions and Answers

Q. In July, 1944, my brother was killed on Guam. I was made his beneficiary in his insurance policy. But before he went across he made a will that has never come to light and this is causing some trouble among the heirs as he was single. Another brother in service says a duplicate will was made and kept on record somewhere. Could you tell me where this will be kept?—E. A. B., Houston, Mo.

A. Of course we would have no knowledge where the will might be. You might write to the finance officer of his outfit. If you are referring to national life insurance, the money will be paid to whoever was named beneficiary in the policy regardless of any will.

Q. Would it be possible for a soldier to get a release from the army. If he is 23 years old, has a wife and three small children, who live in the country with no modern conveniences. The wife's health is not good and a 21-month-old baby daughter must have an operation for removal of a bone growth on her foot. He is now somewhere in Japan aboard a ship?—Mrs. M. E. M., Port Allegany, Pa.

A. He is eligible to apply for release because of the three children.

Q. I have a friend who has been in the army since December, 1944. He left the states on July 2, 1945 and is now in Japan. He has no dependents and is 19 years old. Will you please tell me how many points he has and how long it will be before he is sent back to the states?—Miss D. P., Dennison, Ohio.

A. He has approximately 16 points as of December 5, 1945 and needs 53 to become eligible for discharge. He probably has many more months to serve.

Q. Will a mother who has a son killed in action, and who is physically unable to make her own support, lose her pension if she marries? Will a father's pension be discontinued if he marries?—Mr. T. S., Jackson, Tenn.

A. In the case of a parent, the question of marriage is not considered. The pension is based upon dependency and whether the parent, mother or father, has sufficient income to keep them.

Q. My son was killed in Italy October 1 a year ago. His wife is named as beneficiary in his insurance but hasn't received any yet. What is the delay?—A. mother, Brownsville, Tenn.

A. Have you filed a claim for your insurance? Suggest that you write to your nearest Veterans administration office, probably at Nashville or Memphis, set out all the facts and am sure you will get some action.

Q. When a soldier has been through hell of the battlefield for two years and has been discharged with a tired and nervous condition which can be cleared up by being at home and rest, how can he get this psychiatric name off his discharge so he can go to college?—J. J. C., Westby, Wis.

A. You have evidently received a medical discharge and would suggest that you make application to your regional Veterans administration for a re-examination and an appeal from the medical findings.

A lie is a poor substitute for the truth, but it is the only one so far discovered.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS!

## WEEKLY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

### HORIZONTAL

1 Who is the American composer in the picture?

13 Rowing device.

14 Wireless.

15 Prophet.

16 Hazard.

18 Cavity.

19 Carved gem.

21 To depart by boat.

23 Tribunals.

24 Sun god.

26 Hurried.

28 Drinks slowly.

29 South Carolina.

30 Merriment.

31 To alarm.

33 Hurrah.

34 Upon.

35 Genuine.

36 Horse's neck.

37 Second note.

38 Sailor.

39 Threes.

40 Sour.

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

ANDREW CARNEGIE

LORE

DEATH

ALB

ANDREW CARNEGIE

CARE

EDGY

YET

LEA

ARGUE

BEISSEMER

41 And.

43 To help.

45 Pair.

46 Railroad.

47 Rest upon.

48 English coin.

49 Mentally sound.

52 To stitch temporarily.

53 Heathen god.

54 He was first professor of

12 Falsehood.

16 He won fame at Colum-

bia University.

55 Assisted.

### VERTICAL

2 Female deer.

3 Strifes.

4 Melodies.

5 Doctor.

6 Chart.

7 Entrance.

8 Citizen.

9 To accomplish.

10 Has on.

11 Trees.

13 Falsehood.

14 He won fame

as a professional con-

53 Structural unit.

54 Before Christ.

55 Structural unit.

For the first eight months of 1945 more than 426,000 veterans' government claims cases were acted upon by Red Cross field directors in Veterans Administration regional offices and the central office in Washington.

A continuous survey of veterans' problems through review of monthly reports from field staff and chapters, supplemented by government and armed forces statistics is conducted by the American Red Cross.



Yuletide  
Greetings  
To Everyone

As the Star of Bethlehem lighted the way to the manger, so today the faith in our hearts, kept burning by the teachings of Him whose birthday we celebrate on Christmas will lead us to a future of Peace and Contentment.

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HERALD CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS!

## Help them get home for Christmas

Make only essential trips during the holidays



528,000 home-bound members of our victorious forces will reach West Coast ports this month

The biggest gift that thousands of the men and women in our fighting forces could get is a chance to spend the Christmas holidays with the folks at home.

But getting them home is far more than a matter of discharge papers or a holiday leave—there's the problem of getting them to wherever home is.

Tens of thousands are now in California ports waiting to get home.

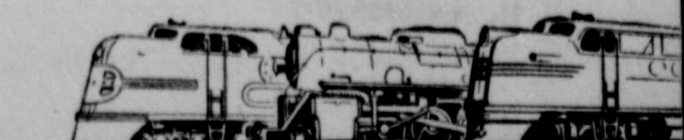
The Army and Navy tell us that better than a half million service personnel will be returning in December. That means 17,000, on the average, must be taken care of each day.

Our trains are already overcrowded. We don't want to disappoint a single soldier, sailor, marine, coast guardsman, Wac, Wave or Spar we can possibly find space for.

So won't you help us to do our share in playing Santa Claus to them by postponing your trip until after the holidays—unless it has to be made.

You'll get—we'll bet—a little glow out of knowing that you're making it possible for somebody in the service to be home. So again we ask, in all friendliness, won't you postpone your trip until we can serve you in the traditional Santa Fe manner.

SANTA FE SYSTEM LINES  
Serving the West and Southwest



## Best Wishes for a Happy Yuletide Season

If you could gather up all of the beautiful Christmas wishes we have made for you and hang them on your Christmas tree, it would not need any other decoration. But instead, we'll ask you to hang our good wishes in your heart where we want them to stay to bring you a world of happiness—because that is our Christmas wish for you. May the New Year bring you happiness and contentment.

O'Dell Motor & Implement Co.



### Blue Ribbon Beer



"Queen's Lad," 1970-pound Aberdeen Angus, is grand champion of the junior cattle entries at the Chicago Market Fat Stock Show. Owner Robert Johnson, 20, Galva, Ia., shows him.

### Listen, Judge--



Actress Betty Jane Greer must have dazzled the judge plenty, appearing in a Los Angeles court in that black and purple cancan costume to ask that her name be changed to just Jane Greer, because it sounds more "vampish" that way. Anyhow, she won her point.

### New Year's Day Around the World

By MISS ABBIE CONDIT  
National Recreation Association

A New Year's party based on the customs of other countries will provide an appropriate theme for your celebration this year. Send out invitations decorated with an hour glass or the Old and New Year, inviting the guests to come in the costume of some country. Ask each to bring a "white elephant" possession, securely wrapped, for as tradition has it in Scotland, a package in the hand of the guest insures the host a bounteous year. (These gifts will be exchanged later in the evening as one of the party activities.)

Colorful decorations are in order for the party. In the Orient, dark green pine branches and light green bamboo stalks are hung on the gate posts, and tangerines and tangerine-like fruits are indicative of long life and happiness. Bright red lobsters and crabs are hung over doorways. In China on New Year's day everyone puts on brand new clothes and goes visiting; so at our party there may be a grand march with judges, of course, to award prizes for the prettiest, funniest, and most unique costumes.

#### "May Joy Be Yours."

At the end of the march each person is given a card and a pencil. On signal each tries to obtain as many signatures as he can. He approaches someone, bows in Chinese fashion, saying "Kung Hi, Kung Hi" (I humbly wish you joy), and the other replies "Sin Hi, Sin Hi" (May joy be yours). Then each writes down the other's name. At the end of five minutes the person with the largest number of names receives a trivial award.

"In Belgium the heart of a 'Sugar Uncle' a 'Sugar Aunt.' All the keys disappear from the inside doors in the houses before New Year's Day. Then, when an unsuspecting aunt or uncle goes into a room alone, the children rush to lock the doors on the outside and do not permit the aunt or uncle to come out until he or she has promised ransom with which the children will buy sugar plums and candy. Divide the group into a number of circles with 10 to 20 players in each. A leader is given a key or a bunch of keys. He walks around the group nodding at players who fall in line behind him. When about half the members of the circle are trailing along, he drops the key and all dash to find places. The one left out pays "ransom" by being "it."

#### "First Footer" Relay.

The circles may be easily straightened out into file formation for a "First Footer" relay. In Scotland it is considered good luck to be the first to step into a house after midnight, so there is a mad dash from house to house after the stroke of 12. Each team is a would-be "first footer." The leader counts to 12 and on "12" the first member of each team dashes to a goal and back, touching off the next player. The first team finished is the lucky one and receives a prize of cookies or tiny cakes, as was the custom.

Boys and girls of Russia have a rather strange custom. On New Year's Day they go about throwing peas and wheat at passers-by. The peas are thrown at enemies, while the lighter wheat is reserved for friends. Wheat grains are too small to handle conveniently, so give everyone eight or ten beans of one kind and eight or ten of another kind. Do not designate which is "enemy" or "friend." Guests are to trade beans with one another and at the end of five minutes the one with the fewest enemies and the most friends is given a prize.

In France the children used to leave their wooden shoes out at Christmas time for presents, but the adults exchange gifts at New Year's time. In accordance with this custom the "white elephants" may be brought out and distributed in any manner you like—by drawing or in grab bag style. All the presents should be opened on the spot as an appropriate climax to the party.

### Santa Letters

Perryton, Texas  
Box 72

Dear Santa:  
I wish you would bring me a writing desk so I could get my lessons at night.

Mother says she can't get me one this Christmas, maybe next.

Yours truly,  
Don Chick  
P. S. Bring me a nice fountain pen.

611 S. W. 2nd St.  
Perryton, Texas  
Nov. 30, 1945

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am a boy nine years old; I am in the third grade and like to play football very much. I am trying to

be good so that you will bring me a football, and real football shoes. I am hoping that you can bring them.

Jim Phagan

Perryton, Texas  
Dec. 17, 1945

Dear Santa Claus,  
I am a little boy four years old and I would like for Christmas a pair of cowboy boots, red wagon, a jeep, a truck, and any other little thing you have.

Please don't forget my aunt Janet.

Your friend,

Banks McCarraghu

December 14, 1945

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a wheel barrow,

gun, wagon and lots of nuts, candy

and fruit in my stocking. We will leave the fire burning, so you can warm when you bring my toys.

I have been a pretty good boy, so bring me lots of toys.

Santa, please bring my uncle Jimmie some toys too. He lives in Amarillo.

Your little friend,

Billy Thomas

Ann Thurston Editor

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Texas Wesleyan College

Worth, Texas, where she

member of the Sophomore

Thurston is also president

Press Club, Miss Ann

a Junior at TWU, and

home for the holidays.

More than one million

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or his family had avail-

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Mid-week Prayer Service Wednes-

day Evening—7:30 p. m.

Evening Service—7:30 p. m.

N. Y. P. S.—6:45 p. m.

Morning Worship—11:00 a. m.

Sunday School—10:00 a. m.

Nazarene Church



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On this happy day when hearts beat fast with all the joys that come only in this Yuletide season we want to extend our sincere wishes for all good things and express to one and all our sincere thanks for your patronage and kind co-operation in the past—our hope to serve you better than ever in the future.

# Burk Drug Co.

The Russell Store



May this Holiday bring you the utmost of joy and may the New Year bring with it every success as a reward for your effort. We are looking forward to serving you during the coming year and trust that our service will prove satisfactory to you in every way.

## PERRYTON EQUIPMENT CO.

Best Wishes for a

# Very Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year

W. C. Bryan — Louis Bryan — Frank Herndon — Carter Burkhardt — Earl Love — O. C. Shearer  
Edith Tucker — Geneva Herndon — Wesley Farrington

# Bryan Food Store



## Merry Christmas

After a long, uneventful morning, he found himself directly opposite a brightly decorated restaurant. He crossed over and from sheer curiosity looked in the window.

There were only two patrons inside—an elderly man and woman seated at a front table who were avidly devouring with much relish a whole roast turkey with all the side dishes.

Duncan's mouth began to water—his stomach seemed hollow—he felt his legs go weak, and his ever-present hunger was getting the best of him. Suddenly he remembered the seventy-five cents. He thought quickly. A bed for the night at a flophouse would cost fifteen cents—that would leave him sixty. He decided to go in and order a roast turkey sandwich. He gave his hat a few deft passes and opened the door.

He hung his battered hat and coat where he could grab them in case of an emergency, and made himself comfortable at a table in a corner. Duncan knew that his appearance was none too prepossessing and that a waiter would not dash up to someone from whom he could not get a tip. After a while a vinegar-faced man designed to come to him.

"What'll you have?" he asked, stifling a yawn.

"A hot roast turkey sandwich," replied Duncan.

"On toast or rye bread?"

"Rye."

"Anything else?"

Duncan shook his head. "No, nothing else."

"Are you sure that's all you want?"

"Yes, that's all. Just a roast turkey sandwich."

The waiter returned with the order, placed it before him, shook his head wonderingly and withdrew. Duncan virtually devoured the sandwich in three bites. He delicately wiped his mouth with a napkin, then beckoned the waiter. "Check, please," he said.

"Check?"

"Yes, the check." Duncan raised his eyebrows.

"But there is no check."

"No check? What do you mean—no check?"

"There are none tonight. This is Christmas Eve. Didn't you see the sign in the window? Customers can order anything they want. It's on the house. You're the only guy who didn't order the whole darned menu."

Duncan's jaw dropped. His gaze fell on the half-dollar, two dimes and five pennies still clutched in his hand. Slumped in his chair, his eyes followed the back of the retreating waiter.

Patronize Herald advertisers. They make possible the publication each week of your Home Demonstration activities.

From July 1942 through June 1945, almost 600,000 individuals in Veterans Administration facilities were assisted by the Red Cross.

Mike and all down a deserted side clinking money.

sure that's all you want?"

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Christmas

Spoken or written, there is no more cheering greeting than the age old Holiday salutation "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year." It is a greeting of friendliness that warms the heart and brings friends closer to each other, no matter how far distant they may be. It is the thoughtful expression of regard that one man has for another—the salutation of understanding and in all lands the manifestation of kindness among friends and kindred.

So as the Holidays approach again, it is our sincere and hearty wish that yours will be a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mason Motor Co.

Ford — Mercury — Lincoln

## OLD SPIRIT

IN THE streetcar crowded with holiday shoppers Mrs. Weston couldn't see the couple behind her but their words added to her mounting despair and fury. Overhead, tinsel-wreathed placards exhorted to buy fur coats, diamonds, perfume. She shut her eyes to them but she could not shut her ears.

"That was one swell party last night," sighed the man. "Oh, boy!"

The girl squealed. Mrs. Weston cringed. The high laughter was like the whistle in Puppo, the rubber dog Christmas. Puppo had become more than a toy. He still lived in glory, a kind of household god enshrined in the whatnot in Harvey's room.

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man, stamps, in a gold ring. "This is no occasion for whoopee."

"Jack thinks the Army is going to get him this time." It was the girl speaking. "And is he scared?"

The woman next her got off and another squeezed in. "Certainly going to be a big Christmas," observed the newcomer cheerfully. "Were you downtown Saturday? Worst jam I ever saw."

"I was not," Mrs. Weston felt compelled to explain. "I am going to town now only to select a wreath for my mother's grave."

Behind her the young people were still shrilling about Jack and the Army. "Tell him we'll give him a farewell party. Tell him if he gets shut he'll have a pretty nurse." The man was chortling. "Let's get off next corner, beautiful. You can buy me a drink."

Liquor, thought Mrs. Weston furiously. That explained their incessant giggling over nothing. She raised her voice. "I don't see how people can think about Christmas. How they can drink and laugh and waste money on silly things. Life is so terrible—" her voice broke. Heavens, people were staring! "My son—somewhere in the Pacific," she added hurriedly in a low voice. "I'm thinking of him."

She felt a hand on her shoulder. "Lady you have the wrong angle."

The man behind her leaned forward. Her eyes met compassionate blue ones in a face curiously pale. "It don't help your boy any for you to have no Christmas. Be as merry as you can."

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Each, middle—line. "She was halted by the crowds on the sidewalk. Standing on tiptoe she saw the couple turn in at the dairy bar. A drink. They'd laugh and make love over an ice cream soda. "Merry Christmas, soldier," she whispered. "Be as merry as you can."

Misty-eyed, she walked to the corner rimmed with Christmas trees. "A small tree," choked Mrs. Weston. She wiped her eyes and picked one up, testing its weight. "It must be strong," she told the vendor firmly. "Strong enough to hold up a good sized rubber dog, and—our spirits."

Boyd, Oklahoma

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### Yes, They'll Run on Gin

According to extensive tests recently completed, automobiles will operate on gin and other mixtures of alcohol and water, with only moderate changes in this alcohol and fuel systems. Under proper conditions, power output and flexibility of operation are satisfactory.

An automobile, however, that would run 100 miles on one tankful of gasoline would run only 20 miles on the same tankful of 90 proof gin. While that would add opportunities in the filling station business, motorists probably would not be so much in favor of those frequent stops.

The present cost of gin and other alcohol blends in comparison with even the most heavily-taxed gasoline seemingly presents an insurmountable hurdle to the use of alcoholic blends for motor fuel in this country at present.

In case, however, motorists should decide they would like to use alcohol instead of gasoline in their tanks, the petroleum industry is prepared to produce an unlimited supply of quantities of alcohol at prices far below those now prevailing.

### Schools Will Close Friday For One Week

The Perryton Public Schools will close Friday, December 21, for the Christmas holidays. Superintendent J. A. Anderson announces that classes will be resumed at the regular hour on Monday, Dec. 31.

Most of the teachers will visit their homes downstate during the nine day vacation period, it was said.

### Make Your Own Yuletide Wreaths

It's Fun for All and Offers Chances for Clever Designs.

COLORFUL homemade decorations that lend gaiety to the Christmas tree and help out any lack of store trimmings can be made from such commonplace things as egg shells, peanuts, pine cones, squashes and colored paper.

Eggshell trinkets offer a variety of decorative possibilities. The shells can be salvaged from family baking days by running a darning needle through the shell at both ends and blowing out the contents. If necessary the holes can be enlarged so that a bright-colored string with a knot in the end can be run through the egg, so that it may be strung

gaily on the tree. Before stringing on the tree, shells may be colored all the hues of the rainbow, as at Easter time. Or designs in pencil on the shell may be made in the form of scrolls, leaves or figures. The designs may be filled in with colors, outlined with black crayons. Christmas seals pasted on white eggshells will be bright and shiny. Colored confetti dots can likewise be used on the eggs.

Peanut dolls to hang on the tree can be made by stringing suitable sizes together and tying the cord tightly to keep them in shape. They can be painted gold or silver or any other color that will liven the tree and give the little folks a part in the decorative scheme.

A half-dozen star Santas swinging from the tree will add interest. Make some five-pointed stars from heavy paper. Paste a Santa head onto the top point and design white mittens on the next two, draw a belt and it's done. Run a string through Santa's hat and tie to a branch.

Small green squashes painted with shellac or varnish so they will retain their freshness can be either tied to the tree or arranged around the base.

Pine cones tied with ribbons and perhaps a bell and painted white or silver for make-believe frost are perfect for suspending from the tree.

Never try to kill a cat by choking her with cream.

The wise man knows when it pays to be ignorant.



"... AND moreover, this is New Year's eve," said Wallace, as if that ought to settle the matter. "Cheer up. Let's go to the Officers' Club and join in the fun."

George Martin shook his head. Before he could welcome the approach of another year he had a troublesome decision to make. The crowded streets, the milling people, the babbling groups headed for Times Square—none of these signs of the coming of 1944 had power to lift him from his depression. His voice was solemn.

"Look at my problem from the personal angle," he said. "Tell me, Wallace, how would you feel if you had been told you couldn't return to the school ship after the holidays?"

"I'd feel bad, naturally. But not as if the world had come to an end." "You're not a sailor," returned Martin. "You don't understand what the school ship gets to mean to a fellow. It gets in the blood . . . under a man's skin."

He listened carefully as Martin continued: "You should have seen Doyle's face when the Cadet Council told him he was through. It went white. It's not only the way a fellow feels about it himself, it's a fellow's family . . ."

Wallace was saying: "The school ship's not the only place of its kind in the world. A fellow can still work his way up from the fo'c'sle, you know, and become just as good an officer."

They were walking along a waterfront street, now, past seamen's lodging houses. A row of men stood in line before the doorway of a Sailors' Mission.

"Shipping's bad," volunteered one of the men. "No more ships. Can't get a job for love nor money. Got a cigarette?"

Martin pulled a package of them from his pocket, offered it. The

"You're to report back to the school ship January 3."

sailor took a cigarette eagerly, waited for a light. "Thanks, buddy."

"See what a fellow's up against?" Martin said. "Even old-timers can't get ships. A youngster would have no chance at all."

At the next stand he purchased a newspaper. He stood under a neon sign and opened it to the Want ads. "Look. Here are your shore jobs. Wanted: an office boy. Must run elevator. Wanted: boy to distribute handbills. Wanted: soda clerk. Are these anything for a fellow who really wants a sea career—a merchant officer's career, the whole world ahead of him, and a captain's berth at the end?" He threw down the newspaper. "I've made up my mind. Come with me," he said.

At a small hotel for sailors, he turned in and inquired: "Doyle stopping here?" Thomas Doyle?

The clerk thumbed through the register. "Number 1215."

As George Martin entered the room, Doyle sprang to his feet. He had been stretched out on the narrow bunk, his face buried in the pillow.

"I heard you hadn't gone home, Doyle," said Martin.

Doyle's eyes were swollen and red. "I thought I'd rather stay here, sir . . . until after the holidays. Then I thought I'd get a ship—or a shore job. I couldn't face them at home, sir . . . I just couldn't."

Martin took out his watch. "If you can get out to the airport by one o'clock, you'll catch a night plane to Bangor. That's where you live, isn't it? Got enough money?"

"Yes, I have. But . . ."

"Do as you're told," said Martin. "Your case has been up for consideration since the holidays started last week. I've been thinking it over carefully, and will veto the action of the Cadet Council. You're to report back to the school ship on January 1st, with the others. It'll be up to you to make good. Those are orders."

The boy's face was radiant. "Happy New Year, sir! That's all I needed, sir, to change the whole world for me—another chance at the school ship!"

"Funny old world," said George Martin, superintendent of the Nautical Training School, as he rejoined his friend in the lobby. "Another chance at the school ship . . . that's all Doyle needed to face New Year."

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Any veteran desiring representation in connection with a claim for government benefits may designate Red Cross, which is authorized by the Veterans Administration, to act for him in presenting his claim.

### Leading Gardener



James L. Ammon, 18, Albany, Ore., shows you some of the prize vegetables which won him a \$500 scholarship as 1945 champion vegetable grower of the National Junior Vegetable Growers Association convention at Cincinnati. He raised \$5300 worth of truck crops on 14 acres in the year. The scholarship is awarded by the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co.

Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Martin have received discharges from the armed forces and have returned to Perryton. It was announced this week, H. O. Martin, S. 2c, was released at Norman, Okla., recently. He served on Okinawa and other points in the Pacific. He is associated with the Hobbs Motor Co.

Technician Fifth Grade Ira N. Martin came in Monday night from Ft. Bragg, N. C., where he was discharged following six months service in the ETO with the 804th Repl. Bn. He served in Germany and France. Ira is associated with the White House Lumber Co.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS!

### Domboy, Okla.

Mrs. Chester Bartel entertained at dinner Sunday honoring her husband on his birthday. Plates were laid for Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Bartel of Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Kulow and Mrs. Lloyd Mitchell and two children of Dombey, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin F. Neill and son Donald Sgt. and Mrs. J. C. Stevens of Liberal, the hostess and honoree, and

Clara, Edna and Jimmy Bartel. Mr. and Mrs. Deforest Young and Donald have moved to Dalhart where they will make their home. Vernon Duerson is expected home as he is receiving his discharge from the Navy.

Raymond Mitchell and Phineas Young are expected home on a have been in the Sea Bees over two furlough for Christmas. The boys years and are now transferred to

the Navy. This is their lough home since they states.

Ever wonder why the cotton-gin? It's just an of "engine."

He is an excellent ed finds the superfluous in writings.

## Greetings for a Happy Holiday

Ring out Christmas bells—ring out the merriest Christmas ever to one and all.

**W. H. DUNLAVY, Jeweler**



### Best Wishes

For A

Joyous

Yuletide

As a small token of our high esteem for the people whom we serve, we send these words of greeting. We place an immeasurable value on your friendship and trust that we may merit its continuance.

We renew our pledge of the service which we constantly strive to render; and take this occasion to send you our very best wishes for a happy Christmas and a New Year filled with all the good things of life.

Mr. and Mrs. Debs Riley—Irwin Delk

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YOUR CONOCO DEALER

## Season's Greetings . . . . .

As our greeting let us express the wish that Christmas, 1945, will be the sweetest Yuletide that has ever come your way. May you and all those dear to you be richly blessed with the season's best and a large measure of new and greater happiness and prosperity be in store for you in the New Year.

## BATMAN GRAIN CO.

Ray L. Batman—J. E. Green  
FARNSWORTH AND LORD, TEXAS



# El Sombrero

NEWS OF PERRYTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## Teachers

Miss Cox from Lamesa, Tex., present to become a member of the PHS faculty after the holidays. Miss Cox, of Texas University, is at Hereford. In PHS she

## Editorial

I got out of the wrong side of bed this morning. Notice I didn't say "got up" I said "got out" and that's stating the situation mildly. You see, my bed is one of those

will take over the duties of Miss Elizabeth Ann Mizell. English I accepted the position of French and Journalism teacher, who has and English instructor at Hardin Junior College, Wichita Falls.

Miss Evelyn Milan from Sudan, Tex., a graduate of WTSTC, may come with Miss Cox from Hereford and begin teaching in PHS after the holidays.

Another new teacher after Christmas will be Miss Martha Rodgers of Amarillo, a sister of Miss Jan Rodgers, sixth grade teacher in the Perryton Public Schools. Miss Rodgers is a graduate of TSCW.

mechanical monsters that fold in to the wall with the aid of a spring or some kind of dangerous device. Well, anyway, my angel-brother arose at the unearthly hour of six. Somehow a fiendish idea percolated in that thing he calls a mind, and he decided to get me to school today on time, for a change.

Without warning, he pulled the lever that lets the bed back into the wall. My screams for help were soon silenced as I found myself falling through—no space—but plaster and board. Unfortunately for me my bedroom is located on the second floor. Naturally after being forced through the wall, I began hurtling through the air at a terrific speed. Fast becoming hysterical in the few moments I had to live, my only thoughts were, "Now I know how Superman feels."

I have always harbored a disliking for the bakery next to my house, it always tempts my weaker self but I had never expected it to save my life. I landed in the great pan of soft, billowy dough the baker had set outdoors to rise. If the baker ever found out what happened to his five thousand buns to make them fall, I might as well kiss life, and, what is more important, my bankroll, good-bye.

I dejectedly returned to the scene of the crime to confront my beloved brother. I must have presented a ghastly picture in my doughy condition, for he took one glance at me, shouted, "Ghost!" and fainted. I carried him to the sink and turned the water on in his face. When he was sufficiently revived, he realized quite vividly that I was alive. I shook him, I hit him and beat on him mercilessly. Finally I could no longer control myself. I broke down completely and sobbed, "You little—! Don't you have any sense? You contrived a method to half kill me but you failed. Failed! Failed! I'll have to go to school today anyhow!"

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That short sentence was like a war cry. All the ladies in the department had the sudden impulse to gather at one spot, and by some strange trick of fate, that spot was the exact location where the sales lady and I stood admiring the nylons. Seconds later I emerged from the dog pile with two very healthy black eyes.

The toy department was next. I was at this place I met my doom, but nevertheless acquired my Christmas presents. The salesman met me at the door and personally conducted me about the department. Nothing appealed to me; so finally he suggested I try on some skates.

This I did. Little did I know what was to come! I had circled the counter twice and was about to take up skating as an occupation when suddenly a little red wagon loomed up in front of me. I was fast beginning to wish I had come equipped with an emergency brake.

Head-on I hit the little wagon. I flew through space and glanced off the ceiling; then I went into a perfect dive right into the glass show case. I emerged from the show case just in time for the sharp wheels of the electric train to dash over my left hand, which had been flung carelessly onto the track. I'm not left-handed anyway.

Now Christmas presents were out of my mind. Freedom from the toy department was my only objective. I fled just as fast as the little tricycle I had casually mounted would carry me.

For some reason the manager had become angry at me. He started throwing things. From the toy department he threw a Boy Scout hatchet. I caught that in my coat tail. Right through the cooking department he followed me. It was a can opener this time which I caught in my ear. But I can have the other ear pierced to even up my appearance. The clerk and I sped right through the shoe department, where he wrapped a pair of shoes firmly around my neck. These things later were wrapped to become Christmas presents.

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## Christmas Shopping Troubles Exposed In Student Article

For days I had been resolving to get my Christmas shopping done, and for days I had been putting it off till the next day. At last the zero hour arrived. I just about had to finish my Christmas shopping or expect to get absolutely nothing from those people who suddenly become my friends as soon as they find out I might get them a Christmas present.

But alas, three names remained on my Christmas list and I was in somewhat the same situation as the guy who could afford only one meat ball. Well, I was a little better off. I had to buy my name one dollar and three cents.

I approached a saleslady and told her I was looking for a gift for a lady. She produced a very fine compact and upon being asked she stated simply, "Fifty." Boy, I was happy! Only fifty cents! I told her to wrap it as a gift, which she did, and as she handed the package to me she said, "That'll be fifty dollars, please."

Things whirled. I was on the floor. I had fainted. When I came to it was certain it was only a dream. But, no! Again it came: "Fifty dollars, please." I wouldn't pay. It was robbery.

Again things whirled. This time they were me. The floor walker swung me around and around by the heels. He gave me one more chance to pay. I refused. By that time he was shaking me by the heels.

From my pocket fell the dollar but someone accidentally stepped on it and three cents. I reached for it my hand. Whoever accidentally stepped on my hand also took my dollar and three cents.

Upon being relieved of my last cent I decided to try my luck in the hosiery department. I was sure I could open a charge account there.

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## Junior Jamboree Reports Returns

The junior class breathed easy when Principal John H. Cox announced the final figures of the Junior Jamboree returns. The gross intake of the jamboree was \$491.59, of which \$344.90 was clear profit. This entire amount did not go to the junior class, however, for each club that sponsored a booth got 10 per cent of its take. Thus when the last tally was made, the juniors were \$218.83 ahead. The amount paid to various clubs totaled \$106.12.

## Editorial

Yipe! termites, big ones too! Of course, they're the modern type, the kind that walk around on two legs and carry chisels and look for some nice piece of floor or roof to redecorate in their usual neat method.

One day the floor and roof of the first landing to the north stairs were in one piece, the next day they were minus a little plaster and whatever else they are made of. To take the place of this building material there were two round circles with nothing on the inside commonly referred to as holes.

But we students are a brave lot. Deep down in our hearts we know these holes are not booby traps. (We keep telling ourselves.) We have taken stock of the situation and found that the holes were put there by workmen with very honest motives. After all, the plumbing for the new rest room had to be put somewhere!

Now everyone feels much better. We're glad they aren't really termites. We would certainly have hated for our temple of knowledge to be eaten to bits (we keep telling ourselves.)

## Contest Notice

Due to certain circumstances, the deadline for the baby picture contest has been moved up to the end of the semester. The circumstances mentioned are as follows: the mothers of Perryton want to blackmail their little brats, and want more time to dig up ancient pictures.

## El Toro

Warning to Delmar I—Clara R. Janet R. and Gwen V. have that man-hunting glint in their eyes when they see you. Beware of these wolfish "freshies" and "softies." Delmar.

If Vernon F. breaks out in a running trot down the halls you'll know that it's because Clara R. and Gwen V. are after him! Ruth—please—take better care of him.

A new boy in town, and already Veva Jo is taking notice! Walter W., we always try to put new-comers wise—so if you are a woman hater better not let Veva Jo near you.

No one ever knows how long these "steadies" will stick. Pat B. and Bill or Ruth W. and Vernon, for instance. Pat and Billy are "O. K." but Ruth and Vernon are on speaking terms only.

My, my this friendship business between Pat P. and Kenneth T. seems to be progressing.

Has it come to this? Your faithful reporter is being disillusioned. It seems that Gene S., Don E. and Keith B. are drawing straws to see which will go with Thelma T.

That swoon-guy, a former Perrytonite—now a college freshman, Squeaky Walker, has been stood up. Why, Janet R., why? Or should I say "Who?"

Aren't any of you girls cherishing secret designs on David Hummer? He's too cute to pass by.

Don S. seems to like June P. Or will this pastime fade like all the others?

Your "believe it or not" for today: Carol Lawrence dragged Jim Bill to church twice last Sunday! E. R., what is this now? Whose senior ring are you wearing with the initials M. H.? (As if I didn't know!)

If you want your record to be clear for the next edition of El Toro, you'd better watch your step at the senior dance and the chorus sleigh-ride, kids.

The original copy of the Declaration of Independence is now in a marble and bronze shrine in the Congressional Library in Washington, D. C.

Fourteen pictures, most of them of the blackmail type, have been turned in for the contest.

You can always depend on a streetcar having seats vacant, when it's coming back from where you are going.

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## Merry Christmas



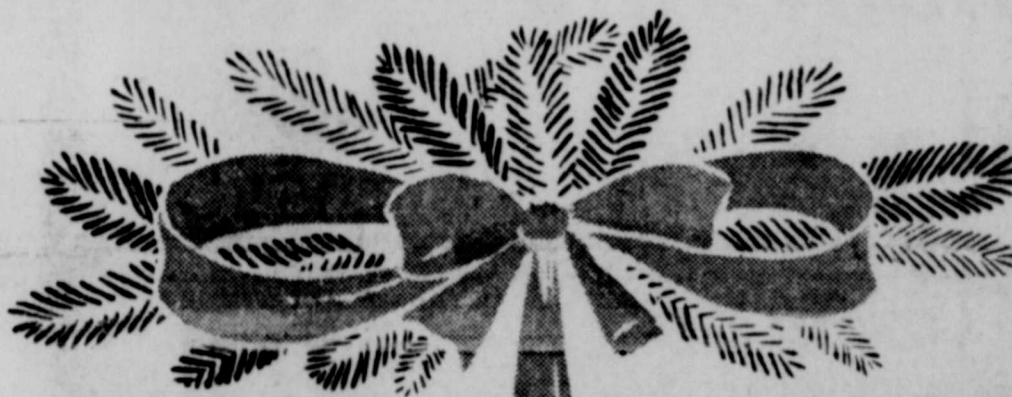
"At Christmas, play, and make good cheer, for Christmas comes but once a year" . . . so go the words of an old poem.

We sincerely trust that you will take every advantage of the Christmas opportunity to spend a most enjoyable time with your loved ones and friends.

We wish you a very Merry Christmas and a New Year of good health, happiness and prosperity.

## CITY DRUG

J. H. Brashers



May Your Christmas

Be Merry—

May the New Year

Bring You

Good Health and Prosperity

In this most cordial of holidays, when joy prevails everywhere, may we bring this message of Good Cheer to each of you, and express a sincere wish that the coming year holds the realization of your fondest hopes and ambitions.

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## ... 'To Men of Good Will'

In this busy season which marks the advent of the Prince of Peace, let us pause for an earnest moment to try and understand one another... to consider how we may approach a trust in one another, how we may dispel at least a part of the current wave of suspicion.

Might we not for a change, seek for a glimpse of the good that takes refuge in the heart of man... instead of holding that all men's motives are forever evil?

Perhaps it is because, for so many years, we have told ourselves that other men are monsters... that we have begun to think we must create other monsters to exterminate them.

Let's make a start toward changing that feeling. Let's begin in our hearts to bring out the good there is in one another.

Let's assume, for the season, that the other fellow is not altogether hard and selfish. Maybe, then, the fresh and bright New Year will justify some of our hopes.

## BABSON DISCUSSES INSURING AGAINST LABOR TROUBLES

ROGER W. BABSON, Editor-in-Chief

Babson Park, Mass., Dec. 14.—People may disagree as to the seriousness of the present labor situation. The fact, nevertheless, remains that labor unions hold the same position of power today as bankers held a generation or two ago.

### Will Labor Abuse This Power?

When I first started my statistical work forty years ago, the bankers—both of the large cities and of the small communities—had tremendous power to make or break manufacturers, merchants, and businessmen in general. This could be done by granting or withholding credit and advising others to follow their example. This power was ultimately resulted in the govern-

ment's practically taking over the management of the nation's banking. Now, the bankers' wings have been clipped and a banker is only a businessman like the rest of us.

In those days, labor had very little power and labor leaders were looked upon as "irresponsible bolshewists". As the power of the bankers waned, the power of labor leaders has increased. Today, many labor unions are powerful enough to make or break any manufacturer, merchant or other businessman. Let us hope that labor will consider its power a sacred trust in the interest of the people as a whole. If not, our labor leaders will be de-throned the same as were the bankers. In a democracy, no one group

## can, for long, abuse its power. Labor Unions Increase Unemployment

Apart from the abuse of power, labor is fast reaching a point where it will kill itself by over-weight as the big mastodons of old. Every group throughout history has been subject to Sir Isaac Newton's Law of Action and Reaction, commonly known as the Cycle. This is most simply illustrated in the case of prices and production. Prices are high because production is low; increased prices cause increased production; until finally prices break and they are back from where they started. This seems to be a fundamental law of nature.

The unreasonable wages which now are being demanded by certain groups will result in forcing the employers to install more new labor saving machinery. A thousand men may, by holding a pistol up to their employer's head, force an unjustified 15% raise in wages. But in such a case, the employer is forced to install labor-saving machinery and get on with 850 men instead of 1,000. Hence, 150 men are thrown out.

### Foolproof Labor Stocks

Companies whose labor expense is the smallest proportion of their total expense should be the least vulnerable to labor troubles. The following list speaks for itself: Drugs 10 percent; Soap 13 percent; Paints 17 percent; Food Preparations 17 percent; Chemicals 20 percent; Petroleum Refining 24 percent; Cement 26 percent; Smelting & Mining 28 percent; Can Manufacturing 30 percent; Rayon 36 percent; Electrical Equipment 37 percent; Meat Packing 38 percent; Tires and Tubes 39 percent; Agricultural Machinery 40 percent; Machine Tools 40 percent; Bakery Products 41 percent; Office & Store Machinery 41 percent; Aircraft 42 percent; Locomotives 45 percent; Automobiles 45 percent; Woolen and Cotton Mills, and Shoe Factories 50 percent.

There, however, are other factors which investors should consider, such as how the earnings of a company are affected by strikes. Considering this also makes me conclude that the all-round best hedges against inflation are: (1) BANKS, (2) INSURANCE COMPANIES, (3) UTILITIES, (4) MERCHANDISING CHAINS, (5) LAND

## Farmers Plan Coop Society

Farm cooperative associations are bringing reality to their post-war plans in many sections of the southwest. Actual construction work is underway for new cooperative merchandise buildings at Lubbock, Kerrick, Frisco and Lockney. These new buildings are being constructed by the farmers through their cooperative associations.

Farmers of Ochiltree county have indicated that a similar program would be started here to handle various merchandise and farm supplies soon after the first of the year. Other towns also expected to follow a like pattern are Plainview, Spearman, Clarendon and Stratford.

This year, cooperative association of farmers are handling a greater variety of farm productive commodities and moving into larger field of operations in serving their members.

COMPANIES, (6) REALTY AND RENTAL COMPANIES, (7) COMPANIES OWNING PATENTS, (8) FINANCE COMPANIES, and (9) COMPANIES MAKING LABOR-SAVING MACHINERY.

### My Cyclone Cellar

If Congress does not rectify the present unfair labor situation we will have one big national strike when our homes will temporarily be cut off from all conveniences. As a hedge against that day, I am building in my yard a small house and stocking it with canned goods. I am driving a well for my water; am installing underground oil tanks with a good big wood pile; am building a chemical toilet and am insulating the small "hut" against heat and cold. In an emergency, we could continue to sleep in the bedrooms of my adjoining house, but the living, cooking and eating will be in this new little building!

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Teague and Jerilee, Raton, New Mexico, are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Dowers and with other friends and relatives here.

## JUST HERE and THERE

The Spearman Reporter tells of a paving project that should be investigated by Perryton folks. They are negotiating with a paving contractor for a low cost pavement for Spearman's residential district. According to the Reporter, a 30 ft. slab of six inch pressed caliche base with a chat asphalt topping can be laid for about \$75 per fifty foot lot. The Reporter did not state that the above figure included curb and gutter.

The Herald acknowledges donations to the Ochiltree County War Fund of \$10 from Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Davis, and \$25 from W. O. Harold Hudson, serving with the United States Army in Germany. Harold also sent a \$10 check for the "Wagon Wheel".

Ochiltree county has exceeded the overall quota of \$265,000 in the Victory Loan Drive but the county is short of the E Bond quota. Official figures from the Federal Reserve Bank on Dec. 12, credited the county with overall sales of \$310,507.25.

On this same date, E Bond sales were \$152,293.75 against a \$195,000 quota. All sales of E, F and G Bonds through Dec. 31 will be credited to the Victory Loan. Many E Bonds have been purchased since Dec. 10 and more will be bought for Christmas gifts. So it appears certain that the E Bond quota will be met.

## Two-Inch Snow Brings .20 An Inch Moisture

The Panhandle, along with most of the nation, was covered with a light blanket of snow and accompanying sub-freezing weather over the weekend and forepart of the week. According to Jack Allen, who maintains the official moisture gauge for this area, approximately two inches of snow fell Monday and Tuesday at Perryton. This snow which covered the entire county and figures about .20 of an inch moisture, it was said.

## Booker Equity To Sell Old Elevators

The Booker Equity will sell two old frame elevators, a small office building and a lot of scrap lumber at public auction at their elevator in Booker on Saturday, Dec. 22, 2 p.m. The buildings will be sold separately and are to be moved from the present site or wrecked for salvage lumber.

The Booker Equity has recently erected a fine modern concrete elevator, replacing the frame structures.

Miss Shannon Daniels has arrived home from Abilene Christian College to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.



DISCHARGED—Staff Sergeant Liburn Ray Stender was discharged from the armed forces Dec. 8 at the Separation Center, San Antonio. Sergeant Stender recently completed 16 months in the Pacific theater with the Signal Corps. He entered service Feb. 26, 1942, and was sent to Camp Crowder, Mo., followed by maneuvers in Louisiana prior to going overseas. Stender is the son of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Stender of Catesby, Okla., and attended the Booker High School and schools in Iowa. Before entry into service he was employed as foreman for the H. C. Brillhart Ranch in Ochiltree county.

Mrs. George Rupperecht, Jr., Mary Lou Rupperecht, Mrs. Lois Trolinger, Beth and Yvonne, and Miss Shannon Daniel were in Amarillo two days this week.

## Business Firms Close Dec. 23

In keeping with an agreement to observe a uniform system of closing on holidays through the year, Perryton business firms will close Tuesday, Dec. 23, to observe Christmas. All grocery stores, wear and dry goods stores, announced they will not open. Other business firms have announced they will also be closing their doors on Friday, and Monday.

## Phillips Added Ranger Schedule

An additional game has been placed on the Ranger schedule, according to officials. The Rangers will play Phillips there Jan. 29. Other may be matched at a later date.

GI Joe observes that there are few and far between.

## Delicious and Wholesome Products

You can be sure of quality and flavor of products from our bakery.

Barnett's Bakery



On this joyous occasion  
we want to wish one and all the very  
merriest of holidays and  
extend our heartfelt thanks to all of our kind friends  
who have been so patient  
during the difficult period of the past  
with the promise of better things to come  
in the near future.

R. B. Yoakley, Jeweler

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Brussels Sprouts... Egg Plant  
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Red Onions... Radishes  
Beets

**WE WILL CLOSE ALL DAY**  
Tuesday—Christmas Day

**ORANGES**  
5 LBS. 59¢

**D'ANJOU PEARS 2 lbs.**

**RED DELICIOUS APPLES**  
Washington fancy and extra fancy 2 lbs. 29¢

**Tasty Sweets—8 oz. pkg.**  
**FRESH DATES**

**California GOLDEN HEART or PASCAL CELERY**  
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3 LBS. 29¢

Pork Loin End Cuts  
**ROAST, lb. .... 29¢**

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**PORK CHOPS, lb. ... 36¢**

Rib  
**Boiling Beef, lb. ... 18¢**

Fancy A Grade Baby Beef  
**ROAST, lb. .... 26¢**

Tender Young Beef  
**LOIN STEAK, lb. ... 40¢**

**EXTRA SPECIAL!**  
Blue Diamond Soft Shell  
**ALMONDS, lb. .... 39¢**

**Black Walnut Meats 4 1/2 oz. ... 43¢**  
**Almond Meats 4 1/2 oz. pkg. ... 43¢**  
**Pecan Meats 4 oz. pkg. .... 33¢**  
**COCOA** Hershey's 1/2 lb. box 9¢

**PEANUTS, lb. .... 24¢**

**Black Walnuts, 2 lbs. .... 25¢**

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**PEACHES** Del Monte No. 2 1/2 Can 28¢  
**OLIVES** Ever-Royal Stuffed 5 3/4 oz. Jar 46¢  
**SPINACH** Pur-Pak No. 2 Can 14¢  
**PEAS** Kurer's tender garden No. 2 Can 17¢  
**CAKE FLOUR** Swan's Down 44 oz. Box 26¢

**CRACKERS**  
Sunshine Krispy  
1 lb. Box 19¢

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**Angel Food**  
**CAKES** ..... 65¢  
Large Angel Food Cake iced on top and decorated with "Merry Christmas"

"Merry Christmas"  
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**CHOCOLATE**  
**Layer Cakes** ... 49¢

**Raisin Bread** ... 15¢  
**Stuffin' Bread** ... 11¢



# SOCIETY NEWS

CLUBS PARTIES WEDDINGS PERSONAL MENTION

WYMAN LEE, Editor

OFFICE PHONE 67



## Miss Cagle Wed Joe E. Buckland, in Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cagle of Birmingham, Ala., announce the marriage of their daughter, Doris Mary to Joseph Edward Buckland, Jr., of Perryton, Texas, and Liberal, Kans.

The vows were read by the Rev. A. J. Frazier November 1 at the Dexter Avenue Methodist Church in Montgomery which is famed for its beauty and marriage ceremonies.

The bride wore a dressmaker black felt wool suit with white accessories. Her flowers were red roses. Her only attendant, Mrs. Margaret Thompson chose a pin stripe suit of gray flannel and a corsage of white gardenias.

George McWilliams attended the groom as best man.

Mrs. Buckland is a graduate of Woodlawn School in Birmingham and before her marriage she was connected with a large utility company there.

Mr. Buckland received his education at Perryton and Liberal and graduated from Business College at Dallas before entering the service. He is the son of Mrs. G. L. Kenzie, Perryton.

Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for Oklahoma City for a brief honeymoon and are now at home at 8 Kennedy Courts Apts. Liberal, Kans.

## Symons Family Reunion Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Symons held a family reunion at their home Sunday, December 9, and all of their children were at home for the occasion except one son, Raymond.

Enjoying the turkey dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Merl Jackson and Jerry, Wichita, Kans. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene P. Chase of Council Grove, Kansas, Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Luedtke of Kansas City, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Buckland, Jr. and Mrs. W. A. Rhea of Liberal.

Mrs. Luedtke is Mrs. Kenzie's niece, and Mrs. W. A. Rhea, her mother.

Plates were laid for the above mentioned and Mrs. Irvin Hergert at dinner Sunday.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS:

## Faithful Workers Prepare Treats For Shut-ins

Treats for shut-ins were prepared and packed by members of the Faithful Workers class of the Baptist church when they met for their holiday party Thursday evening with Mrs. Mark Burton and Mrs. Joe Watson hostesses in the Burton home.

Mrs. K. E. McKneely gave the devotionals and also presided for the business meeting before the exchange of gifts which were arranged around the decorated tree.

Wintertime refreshments were served to Mesdames Raymond Powell, James Slough, Bob Kile, Dale Smith, John Cox, Joe Yeakum, W. F. Vanderburg, S. D. Key, Gordon Wright, Glenn Aaron, Herman Morgan, Horace Smith and Miss Sammie Roach.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS:

## Turkey Dinner At Jarvis Home For TEL Class

At the one o'clock luncheon for the T.E.L. class of the Baptist church, the menu was traditional roast turkey with all the trimmings. The E. R. Jarvis home provided the setting for the Tuesday affair with Mrs. J. L. Blackburn sharing hostess duties.

Yuletide decorative arrangements graced vantage points throughout the house; they included scenes designed from pine cones and Christmas candles and electric colored lights over the doors.

The long table, laid on the sun porch, was adorned with a centerpiece of fruit and candles. Individual favors were of candies topped with tiny candles.

After the business meeting Mrs. A. M. Horan gave the devotional from John 1; and Luke 2.

Gifts were exchanged by the following members: Mesdames J. W. Bennett, Clyde Cofer, E. D. Morgan, Nannie Edmondson, L. V. Waggoner, G. D. Holt, Harve Holdeman, T. P. McLain, Ollie Morris, Stanley, C. C. Carter, J. D. Wade, G. I. Horn, Fred Lewis, Geo. Parker, Mary Milam, A. M. Horan, J. W. Cayler, I. H. Sharpe, Blackburn and Jarvis. Guests were Rev. and Mrs. O. C. Curtis and Lynn and Mrs. Claude Jones.

## WICS Meet with Mrs. S. P. Whippo

The WICS of the Christian church held their monthly missionary meeting in the home of Mrs. S. P. Whippo, Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Alton Boxwell brought the Christmas story after the covered dish supper which included turkey and the trimmings were enjoyed. A gift exchange was held.

Those present were Mrs. Alma Rorabaugh, Mrs. Nellie Mounts, Mrs. Virginia Waters, Mrs. Ward H. N. Gregg, Miss Ann Holden, Miss Jean Ann Essex, Mrs. Lucille Cooper and Mrs. Whippo.

## Yuletide Party For Delta Deck

Members of the Delta Deck Bridge club and their husbands enjoyed the hospitality of the R. E. Bell home Saturday evening when they gathered for their Christmas party there.

In the bridge games, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Leatherman won high score. A gift exchange preceded the refreshment course.

Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames J. M. Anderson, Sibley, Jines, G. A. Rupprecht, Claude Allen, Ross Leatherman, Dwight Sims, Orlan Bell, Clifford Beck, Oris Bruner and the Roy Bells.

## Teachers Are Complimented

Mrs. Glen McGibbon and Mrs. E. D. Kelley entertained in the McGibbon home last Wednesday evening in compliment to Marianna McGibbon's and Camilla Kelley's teachers.

Games followed the three course dinner with plates laid for Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. John Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Veale, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Welch, Monnie Kemp, Ernestine Gary, Elizabeth Mizell and Inez Franz.

## Friends Help Jane Observe Birthday

Several little friends came to Jane Putman's last Friday to help her observe her fifth birthday.

They enjoyed games before Mrs. J. W. Putman, Jane's mother, served the birthday cake and ice cream. Favors were miniature Santa Clauses and Christmas trees.

Those present were Judy Woodward, Susan Patton, Teddy Joe Gunter, Dixie Conley, Glenda McGibbon, Russ Thomas, Mary Lou Jacquot, Wendell Williams, Ronnie Blackmore, Kay and Bonnie Witt, Jane Headlee, Bobby Peck and the honoree.

Bookkeeping and Accounting Systems at Stewart Printing Co.

## Keys Entertain At Family Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley D. Key entertained in their new home, Sunday at noon, with a Christmas dinner.

Plates were laid for the Key and Richardson families and included the following: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Key, Mrs. Beth Fuelscher, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Key, Betty Jean and Mike, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Dodd and Nancy, Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Richardson and Marilyn and Mr. and Mrs. Key, Jimmy Dick and Jerry.

## Spaghetti Supper For Herald Force

The Herald office force enjoyed a spaghetti supper in the B. B. Lee home Sunday evening. During the evening, Mr. and Mrs. Van Stewart were presented their Christmas gift from the group, an outdoor buffet server.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Overbey, Morris M. Payne, Ed Geymann, Mrs. Alice McCarthy, Miss Carmen Keith, Carol Sparkman, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Lee.

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Centuries of time have proven that the spirit of this day cannot be too often reiterated as a reminder to man and woman, boy and girl, for none of us is so young that we cannot understand the beautiful simplicity of "peace on earth, good will to men".

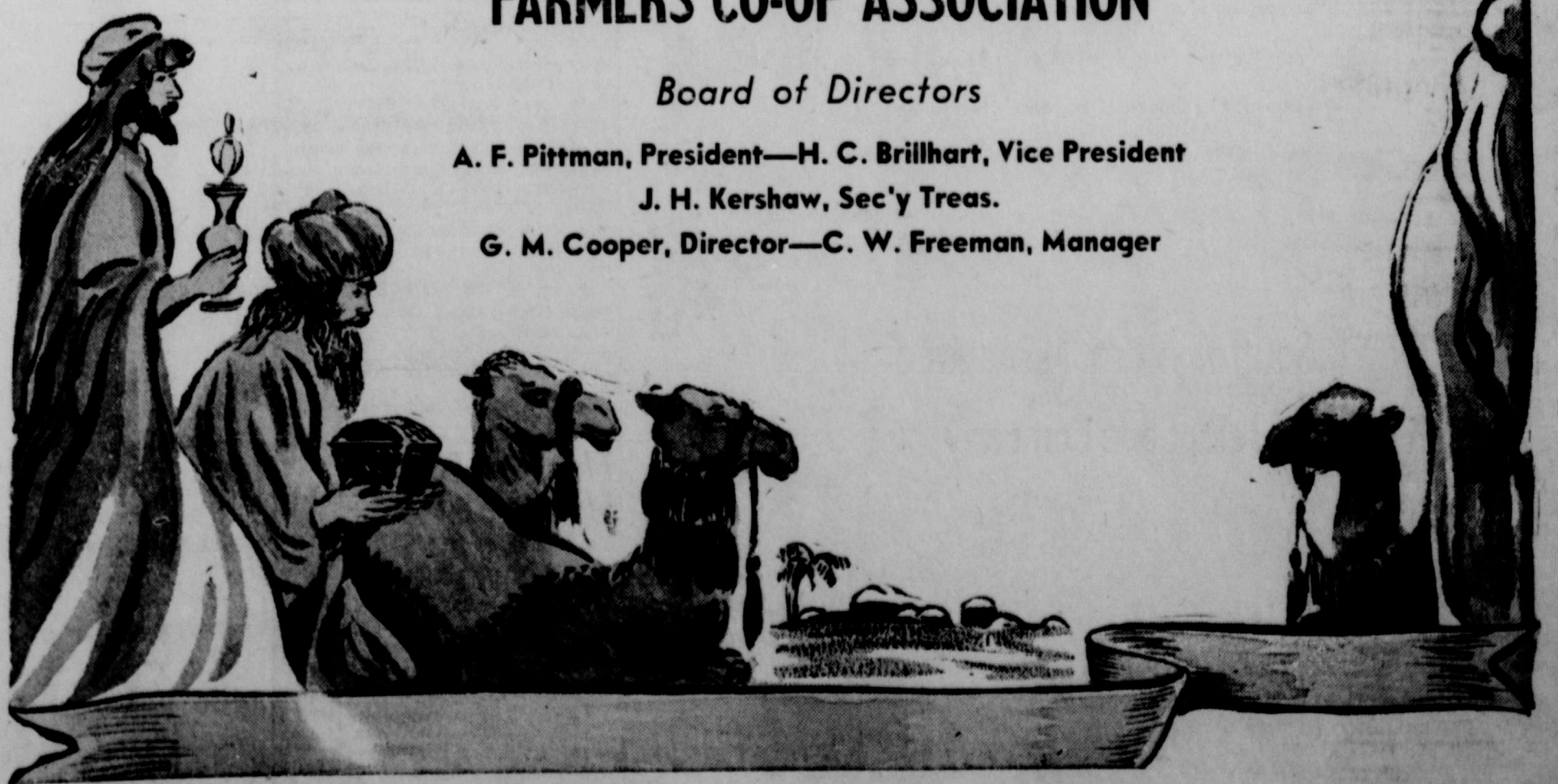
And none of us is so old and worldly, that we cannot profitably be reminded that no way of life is more worth striving for. As we look about us and give serious thought to what has transpired in recent years, surely we can see that those who live the good life find victory in the fight for survival.

This is our message for Christmas, 1945: not in a spirit of preaching to our fellows—but in the true spirit of brotherly love which is the responsibility of each of us.

## FARMERS CO-OP ASSOCIATION

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On Christmas Eve, behold the sight:  
A single star is burning bright,  
With silver rays, to point the way.  
To warmth and love on Christmas Day.

At Christmas perhaps more than at any other time in the year we realize what it means to be an American—to worship as we please, to go about our daily pursuits unfettered, to take time off to pay homage to the beautiful myth of Santa Claus.

And at Christmas the members of this organization realize particularly what your patronage has meant to us, and we take this opportunity to thank you while wishing you a most Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthful New Year.

the THEATRE DRUG



## SOCIETY

Society Continued from Page 3

### Mrs. Thomas is Society Hostess

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. E. W. Thomas for their monthly social meeting. Mrs. Glen E. Shrader was assistant hostess.

Mrs. C. B. Rogers was program leader and Mrs. Floyd Coffin gave a play, "How We Can Be Helpers In Our Church." Prizes were given in unison and Mrs. H. J. Wilson gave the closing prayer.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses to Mesdames M. L. Brillhart, Roy Davis, R. B. Orrill, O. C. Shearer, John Sell, Dona Price, C. B. Rogers, Clifford Beck, Robert Barlow, H. J. Wilson, H. L. Thurston, P. E. Gidley, H. W. Ragan, Floyd Coffin, Oris Bruner and Miss Nellie Perry.

### Mrs. Donna Price Hostess for Class Meeting

The Busy Ladies class of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. Donna Price, last Friday, for an all day meeting. The covered dish luncheon was served at one o'clock and was followed by a business meeting. Mrs. L. H. Lance, president, in the chair.

Mrs. Anna F. Wilson gave the devotional and Mrs. John Sell and Mrs. C. A. Zirkle read Christmas stories in keeping with the holiday theme. Gifts from around the beautifully decorated tree were exchanged by those present.

The class is supporting a boy at the Methodist home in Waco and as a gift for him this year a collection was taken among members and a gift of \$12.00 is being sent him.

Those present to enjoy the day were three visitors, Mrs. G. D. Holt, Mrs. J. L. Blackburn, Mrs. C. F. Jones and the following members: Mesdames John Sell, R. L. Littau, Pearl Cline, W. C. Bryan, P. B. Kile, F. W. Witt, L. H. Lance, J. H. Newfield, C. A. Zirkle, C. A. Caldwell, Anna Budock, J. M. Haley, Joe Dorrance, W. D. Thompson, H. W. Ragan, Belle Trux and Miss Nellie Perry.

HERALD ADS BRING RESULTS:

### New Members Feted by Old At Luncheon

Ochiltree County Home Demonstration Council completed a successful year's work, Saturday when old council members entertained new council members at a beautiful Christmas luncheon in the banquet room of the Club Cafe.

Mrs. Dan Manning, Mrs. L. R. Conner and Mrs. James Hardy were committee members responsible for a table decorated with a centerpiece of three huge red candles banked with holly and evergreen. Color and the Christmas touch was further added to the table by individual corsages along with hand made place cards.

Members seated were Mesdames A. L. Carter, Harold Kershaw, Kirt Williams, Earl McGarragh, Corwin Trooper, C. F. Moses, E. D. Clement, Roy Dorrill, D. D. Hummer, J. S. Thrasher, Amos Morris, Harold Holdeman, Dan Manning, L. R. Conner, O. C. Rogers, James Hardy, Delbert Davis, Robert Barlow, George Fletcher. Guests seated were Mrs. Lewis Gilmore and Virdie P. Wheeler. Following the luncheon Mrs. Wheeler gave a reading "Dorothy Dumb's Christmas Shopping" and Mrs. Gilmore gave two accordeon numbers, "White Christmas" and "Santa Claus Has Come to Town."

### Merry Christmas Party for Club

A Merry Christmas party was enjoyed by the members of the Missouri Avenue club in the home of Mrs. Earl McGarragh on December 13 in her home north of Pertyton. A beautiful potluck dinner was served at one o'clock.

The program was as follows: roll call, answered by each giving a Christmas wish; talk, "The Christmas customs observed in other countries," Mrs. D. D. Shanks; story, "The Origin of the poem, 'The Night before Christmas,'" Mrs. J. H. Kershaw; Christmas games led by Mrs. W. B. LaMaster; song, Silent Night, lead by Mrs. Virdie P. Wheeler. The day was climaxed by an exchange of gifts from the beautiful Christmas tree.

Present were Mesdames Lonnie McGarragh and daughters, Cummings, Shanks, LaMaster, Lem King, Kershaw, Albert Ackley, A. W. Henry, Wheeler, Bill McLanahan and daughter, Claude McGarragh and Miss Iva Nell Lovett, and the hostess.

Ocean waves are similar to waves in a wheatfield, in that it is the wave form that travels forward, not the actual water.

### Current Events Holiday Program

Mrs. Ira Ferguson, Mrs. O. C. Rogers and Mrs. Robert Lawrence were joint hostesses for the Christmas meeting of the Current Events Department of the Sorosis club when they met in the Ferguson home last Wednesday.

Adorning the home besides the tree were yuletide arrangements on the coffee table and piano.

The Christmas story was given by Mrs. Alton Boxwell and Connie Kershaw played the piano solo, "Rustle of the Leaves" by Rob Roy Perry. Group singing of Christmas carols with Mrs. O. C. Rogers at the piano were enjoyed as was her rendition of the club song, "Honors to the Federation" by Moddy Selz. There was a gift exchange and holiday refreshments were served to 18 members.

### Lutheran Ladies Aid Meeting

The Lutheran Ladies Aid met Saturday, December 15, in the home of Mrs. W. B. Gummelt. The meeting was opened with the Lord's prayer, repeated in unison.

A letter of appreciation was read from Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kunkel, acknowledging a lamp, a gift from the society on their anniversary. Flowers were sent to Mrs. Ward who is at the Shattuck hospital and to Mrs. Tackitt who is convalescing from an operation at her home in Spearman.

The business meeting closed with the recitation of the creed. This being the Christmas party, games were played and gifts were exchanged after which delicious refreshments were served.

Visitors were Mrs. Anna Wolff, Mrs. Billie B. Sanders, Christ Peltigoda, Carl Neiden and Adolph Seideg. Members were Mesdames Hinkle, Kunkel, Neiden, Pshigoda, Jennrich, Seideg and Miss Hilda Seideg.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 8, in the home of Mrs. Jennrich.

### Mrs. Clark Hostess To Modern Matrons

Mrs. M. L. Clark was hostess to the Modern Matrons Club Friday afternoon, Mrs. L. C. Case presided at the business session, and gifts were exchanged.

The lovely tree was the center of attraction, and delicious refreshments were served to ten members. The next meeting is with Mrs. Walt Clark.

Phone 67 when company comes!

### Merry Workers Club Meeting

The Merry Workers Club met at the home of Audrey Bohling at the Booster Station near Gray for an all day meeting. At noon a covered dish luncheon was served and enjoyed by all.

After dinner the meeting was called to order by the president, Ethel Pittman, by saying the club prayer. Roll call was answered by "My Earliest Christmas Recollection". The club enjoyed a yuletide program along with their gift exchange.

Mrs. Bell furnished the guess box which was won by Nellie Mounts. Mrs. Jack Lalleman joined the club.

Those present were Mesdames Frank Bell, T. W. Gray, Ethel Seago, Berdie Tregalis, P. F. Brickley, Alice Watson, Ethel Pittman, Nellie Mounts, Jack Lalleman and Leo White and Bert Leatherman, visitors.

The January meeting will be with Berdie Tregalis.

### Leonard Wrights Entertain Friday

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wright entertained members and friends of the Ochiltree Home Demonstration club with a Christmas party, Friday evening, December 14.

The Wright home was decorated with the Christmas tree and the game tables also carried the Christmas motif.

Mrs. Claude Crouch played high for ladies, Mrs. A. L. Carter low, Jim Dodson was high for the men and Oscar Blank low. Attractive and delicious refreshments were served at a late hour followed by a gift exchange.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Claude Crouch of Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thrum and Dannie, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dodson, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Shrader, Mrs. Oscar Blank, Mrs. Johnnie Copehland, Mrs. Delbert Davis, Mrs. James Blasingame and Jerry, Albert Dear and Paul Shrader.

### Social Denotes Holiday Theme

The entertainment rooms in the basement of the First Christian church were made festive with holiday decorations when Mrs. Ward H. N. Gregg and Mrs. Alfred Pittman were co-hostesses for the December social meeting of the Missionary Society, last Thursday afternoon.

Vases of poinsettias arranged at vantage point further accentuated the Christmas motif first noted in the lovely decorated tree.

The program "Putting our Roots Down Again" was led by Mrs. W. J. Miller and completed the current study course. Mrs. Roy Miller gave "What Are You Going to Do With My World?" Mrs. Debs Riley led the devotional. Mrs. A. K. Wilson played a medley of Christmas carols during the program.

Refreshments were served following the social hour to Mesdames Claude Allen, James Blasingame, Lony Bull, O. O. Cox, Carl Ellis, Lee Halpain, Andrew Millege, W. J. Miller, Roy Miller, Debs Riley, Leon Shrader, A. K. Wilson, James G. Williams and Clyde Carroll.

### Holiday Inspires Two Christmas Bridge Luncheons

Mrs. Glen McGibbon and Mrs. Max Boyer were co-hostesses in the McGibbon home for two bridge luncheons this week. The holiday motif was noted on both occasions and three courses were served prior to the games.

Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Boyer and Mrs. McGibbon entertained four tables. Mrs. H. J. Boldsdorf took high score and Mrs. Manse Wood won second and traveling prize.

Those present were Mesdames G. L. Kengle, Cliff Herndon, Manse Wood, Roy Sanford, H. C. Brillhart, LaRue Norris, W. R. Cayler, Jack Todd, Jake LeMaster, Bob Logan, Aldon Bell, James Blasingame, W. L. McConnell, Fred Osborne, Vance Apple and H. J. Boldsdorf.

At the one o'clock luncheon Wednesday Mrs. Cecil Dodd won high, Mrs. J. A. Anderson, second high, and Mrs. Clyde Rogers captured traveling prize.

Seated for the games were Mesdames Harlan Hawk, Oscar Flowers, J. A. Anderson, L. T. Tucker, A. J. Kelly, J. H. Brashears, Jack R. Allen, C. B. Rogers, D. D. Shanks, Cecil Dodd, Giltner LaMaster and Cyrus LaMaster.

### Theater Party Marks Birthday

A theater party Saturday afternoon marked the fifth birthday of little Miss Robbie Logan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Logan. Her birthday was December 12.

After the show the group returned to the Logan home for refreshments of ice cream and cake.

Enjoying the afternoon were Glenda McGibbon, Sue Ann Brashears, Jannell Leatherman, Kent Apple, Jamie Todd, Russ Thomas, Carmen Lynn Kennedy and Patsy and Robbie Logan.

### Several Visitors In E. W. Witt Home

Enjoying the hospitality of the E. W. Witt home over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Oren Stotts of Residing, Calif. and Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Freeman of Dalhart.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Stotts and Lola Belle, Corning, Calif. are spending the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Witt; they returned to Pertyton together after the Witts had spent two months in California with them and another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Edwards and family of Butte City, Calif.

### Dorcas Class Has Christmas Event

The Dorcas class of the Baptist church was entertained at the A. J. Kelly home Tuesday evening with a Christmas dinner and social.

After the dinner Mrs. Wade gave the Christmas story which was followed by a gift exchange and games of forty-two.

Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames R. H. Holland, T. O. Pugh, Chas. Selbey, A. V. Goff, R. R. Walton, O. C. Curtis, Robert Lawrence, F. M. McGee, A. K. Wooten, A. S. Brillhart and Mesdames Clark, R. L. Smoot, Pearl Wade, Geo. M. Parker and Daniels.

### Mrs. Kile Entertains Sunbeam Group

The primary department of the Sunbeams of the Baptist church were entertained with a Christmas party in the home of their sponsor, Mrs. R. L. Kile, 902 S. W. 5th St. Monday afternoon.

The beautiful Christmas tree caught the eye of each child as he arrived and later in the afternoon there was a gift exchange which delighted the youngsters.

Juvenile refreshments were served to Lynn Curtis, Kenneth Trooper, Sammy Wilbanks, Ellen Ackley, Junny Todd, Connie Edwards, Kay Williams, Charlene Selbey, Kay Witt, Sidney Black, Carla Sue and Romie Blackmore, Joyce Slough, Joe Morris, Wendell Williams, Larry Pletcher and Caludine Lowrey.

### Mrs. Cartwright Presents Pupils In Two Programs

Mrs. Ann Cartwright presented two programs Wednesday. The morning program was the presentation of her rhythm band in their Christmas numbers. Wednesday evening she presented her dramatics, voice and piano pupils with approximately 45 guests in attendance.

The rhythm band program was as follows: "Old King Cole"—Rhythm band; musical reading, "Christmas Carol"—Riley Gaynor, Dixie Shannon Conley; reading, Ann Lanagan; reading, Russ Thomas; song "White Christmas"—Irving Berlin, Glenda McGibbon; piano solo, "Oh, Dear, What Can the Matter Be?", Carol Sparkman; reading, Robbie Logan; reading, Berline Bohling; "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town"; Ann Cartwright and the rhythm band; "Silent Night, Holy Night," rhythm band.

A gift exchange concluded the program.

The evening program included "Bell Bottom Trousers," vocal duet by Virgil Case and Billy Helton; "A Yellow Birdie," piano solo by Helen Agnes Dragoun; "The Christmas Stocking," a reading, by Patsy Anderson; "Daddy's Present," reading by Jimmy Bohling; "Mood Indigo"—Duke Ellington, a piano solo by Jerry Ferguson; "The Ballad of the Christmas Star"—Francis Frost, a reading by Barbara Bohling.

"At the Officers Ball"—Thompson, a piano solo by Gary George; "Happy Journey"—Mary Jesse, a piano solo by Joan Johnson; "Just a Prayer Away," solo by Patty Logan; "Marine Hymn," a piano solo by Bobby Wilson; "Mazurka"—Bolin, solo by Jerry Ward; "Kentucky Babe," a solo by Shirley Littleton; "Swinging On a Star," a solo by Donna Helton; "Swannie River Boogie," a piano solo by Barbara Bruener; "Country Gardens"—Percy Grainger, a solo by Dean Morgan; "Minuet," a piano solo by Yvonne Bruener; "Home on the Range"—Guion, solo by Virgil Case; "Away In a Manger," solo by Patty Logan.

### A Handbag Can Carry Chic, To



Five handbag ideas to lend chic to your costume: Upper dressy black satin, draped and shirred, set off with hand lucite frame of sunburst design. Upper right—Brown suede accented by two teardrop mock tortoise shell ornaments draped over the wrist. Lower left—Black satin in taper shape, with side sash handle and lucite clasp. Lower right—Black plastic bag with black plastic handle, center—Bracelet design of draped black in basket effect, with wide mock tortoise shell band.

### McMillen Club In Barnes Home

Mrs. B. L. Barnes was hostess for the Christmas meeting of the McMillen Home Demonstration club last Thursday afternoon. Gifts were exchanged from the decorated tree and games and group singing were enjoyed. Refreshments were

Those present were Mrs. J. Hardy, Hollis Goss, Stanley Watchous and Martin McCarter, Clyde-ton, Ellis Matthews, Her-Prentice, Frank Gips, Schoonover and Mrs. Wheeler.

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Once more it is our pleasure to extend the compliments of the season and express our hope that the New Year will bring to you and yours the abundance of good things and good health you richly deserve.

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We wish to extend our greetings far and wide—to those in whose hands the nation's security is entrusted; to those we love wherever they may be; and to our neighbors, customers and personal friends in this—our very own town!

It is at a time such as this that the people we know earn our fondest thoughts—and in an effort to express our sentiments most tangibly, we have redoubled our efforts to serve everyone to the best of our ability. So that when we say "Merry Christmas" we are glad to know we have helped make it merrier for many.

And when we say "Happy New Year," we have the satisfaction of knowing that through our services, at least a small degree of added happiness can be enjoyed by those we number among our many acquaintances.

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## Funeral Dec. 13

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist church at the home of the deceased, Mr. Robert C. Stollings, who was a member of the church, on Monday evening, December 13, 1945. The deceased was born October 14, 1885, and died at his home, Monday, December 13, 1945. He was a member of the First Baptist church and was a devoted husband and father. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Stollings, and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Stollings. Burial was in the cemetery.

He was married March 25, 1908, to Myrtle Ray and to this union were born five children, all of whom are living and mourn his passing. He was always most happy when doing for others. He was a devoted and understanding father and husband.

Coming to Ochiltree county in the early 1900's, he has since then operated his farm southeast of Perryton. He also had land interests in Colorado. Surviving are the wife, Myrtle Francis; four daughters, Mrs. L. E. Gum, Amarillo; Mrs. Elton Walker, Mrs. C. D. Russell and Mrs. Clarence Morris, all of Perryton; and one son, Ralph H. Francis, Perryton.

Also surviving are seven grandchildren who loved him dearly; two sisters, Mrs. W. E. James, Lefors; Mrs. Luther Petty, McLean; and one brother, Roger M. Francis, Kress.

## New Chamber Of Commerce Directors

Three new directors to serve for two year terms on the Perryton Chamber of Commerce board have been elected in a mail balloting by the entire membership. The newly elected board members are O. E. Burk, Claud Allen and T. R. Murray.

Mr. Burk is the owner of the Burk Drug Co.; Mr. Allen the owner of the Allen Tire Shop; and Mr. Murray is manager of the White House Lumber Co.

The new directors will take office at the annual membership banquet scheduled for early in January.

Holdover members of the board with one more year to serve are Vance Apple, Glen McGibbon, Max W. Boyer and Van W. Stewart.

The new board will elect the president, vice-president and treasurer from the board.

Retiring board members are President Sam Hergert, Wesley Bryan and Virgil Castle.

The nominating and election committee was composed of W. B. LaMaster, L. D. Stinson and C. H. Rogers.

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## SERVICEGRAMS

Mrs. S. E. Price has received word from her son, Floyd, that he was leaving Honolulu for home, Saturday, December 15.

J. H. Stephenson, who has been serving aboard the USS National for several months in the Pacific, was discharged at Camp Wallace, Dec. 10. Mrs. Stephenson met him in Wichita Falls Monday evening where they spent a few days with relatives. They returned to Perryton Friday. Mr. Stephenson will rejoin the Perryton Lumber Company with whom he was associated before entering service.

Virgil Schwab writes from Calif. that he is a civilian again after having been released from the U. S. Navy and wishes the Herald force a merry Christmas. The same to you Virgil.

Lt. Glenn O. Reynolds is visiting friends and relatives while on a 45 day furlough from India. He has been in Perryton visiting his sister, Mrs. Howard Brillhart and his aunt, Mrs. J. S. Slaughter. Glenn graduated from Perryton High School with the class of '34 and was known to his friends as "Buddy." Mr. and Mrs. Slaughter are leaving Friday to take him to Oklahoma City to visit with Mrs. Harley Sump and family and then he will go to Wichita to spend Christmas with his immediate family.

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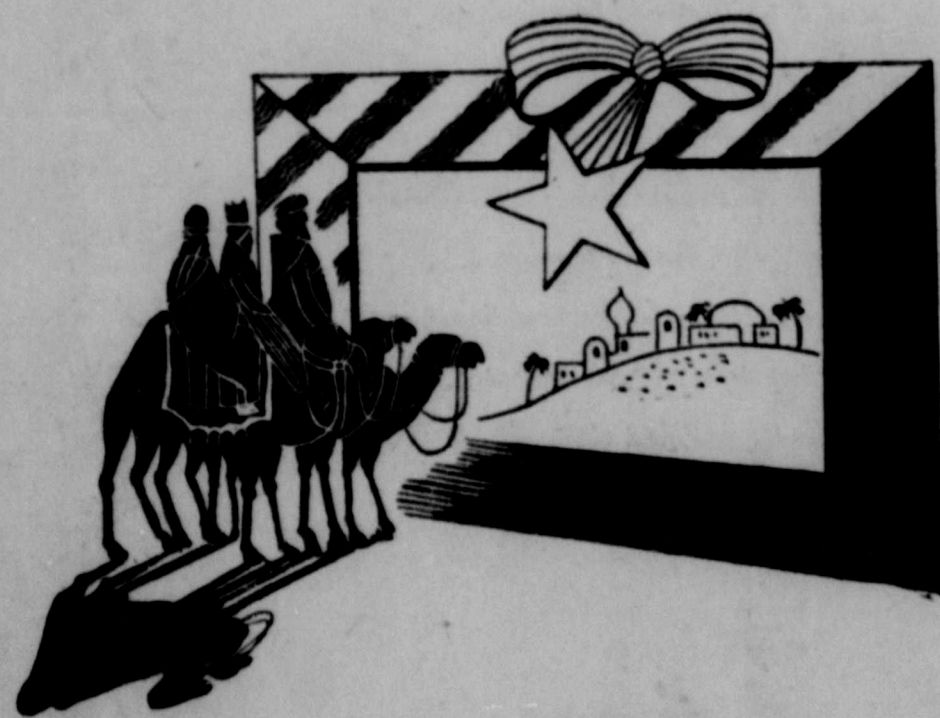
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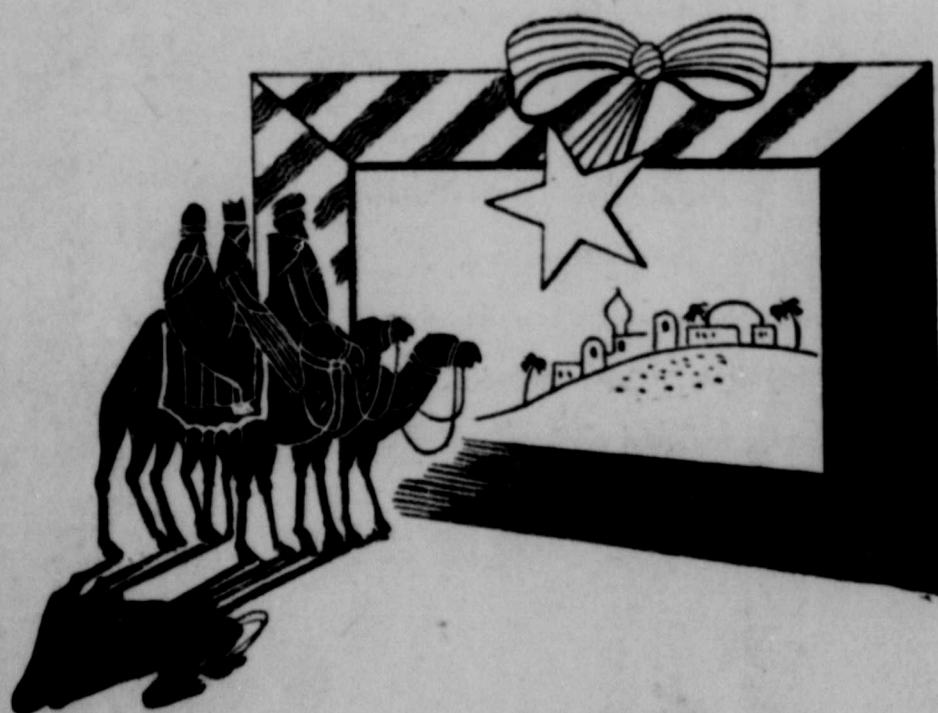
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